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August

1-4 Public Afternoon & Evening Sails ☆
1pm-4pm, 530pm-8:30pm, Charlestown Navy Yard
Tickets & info call Mass Office of Travel & Tourism at (617) 727-3201

5 Member/Public Transit ~ CNY to Gloucester via STELLWAGEN BANK ✱
(Public @ 25/per)
✱ Member Sail Opportunity
full day trip; exact time TBA
call office for info/sign-up

6 Member/Public Transit ~ Gloucester to CNY
(Public @ 25/per)
✱ Member Sail Opportunity
1pm-6pm,

7 Public Afternoon & Evening Sails ☆
1pm-4pm, 530pm-8:30pm, Charlestown Navy Yard
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8 Daysail, Beaver Country Day School Summer Program and Meadowcroft Camp
9:30am-2:30pm, Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy

9 Public Afternoon & Evening Sails ☆
1pm-4pm, 530pm-8:30pm, Charlestown Navy Yard
Tickets & info call Mass Office of Travel & Tourism at (617) 727-3201

10 Transit CNY to Fall River ✱
✱ Member Sail Opportunity

11 Fall River Celebrates America
Parade of Sail, 2pm
Mayor's Reception, 7:30pm

13 Transit Fall River to New Bedford ✱
✱ Member Sail Opportunity

14 Transit New Bedford to CNY ✱
✱ Member Sail Opportunity

15-17 Mass. Dept. of Youth Services

18 Mass. Dept. of Environmental Management ❀
Boston Harbor Islands Sail,
9pm-8pm, Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy

19 Charter Sail
1pm-4pm, Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy

20-21 Coastal Passage, Quincy, MA to Bridgeport, CT
see enclosed info - call office for details & reservations

22 Daysails, Southern Conn. Univ.
7am-12am, 1pm-6pm, Bridgeport, CT

23-24 Coastal Passage, Bridgeport, CT to Vineyard Haven, MA
see enclosed info - call office for details & reservations
also available: full five-day coastal passage aboard ERNESTINA!

24 Evening Sail w/Portuguese Genealogical Society

25 Fireworks Sail w/MV Multicultural Club

26 Transit Vineyard Haven to New Bedford ✱
11am to 3pm, NB-MV ferryboat facilitates "round trip"
✱ Member Sail Opportunity
call office for info/sign-up

27-29 Mass. Dept. of Youth Services

31 Transit New Bedford to Gloucester ✱
call for schedule & info

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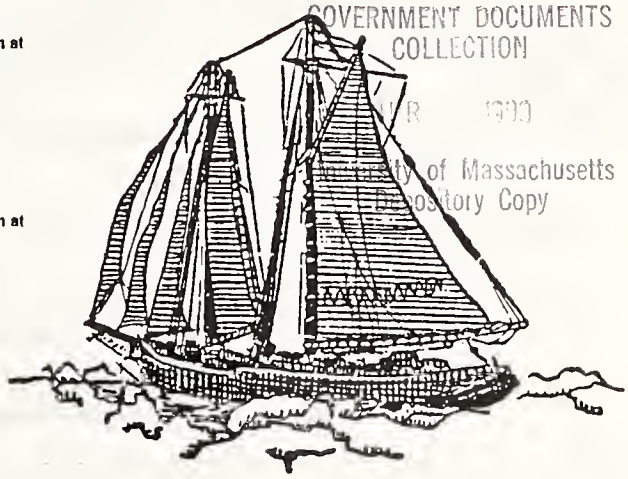

✱ ~ MEMBER SAIL OPPORTUNITIES
Members may join the crew to sail on transits,
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COME ONE! COME ALL!
PROVIDENCE WATERFRONT FESTIVAL
SEPT.9-10
India Point, Providence, RI
featuring your favorite tall ship
the beloved
Schooner ERNESTINA

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

***Crew Member* (Individual) $40**
Receive Schooner *ERNESTINA* Newsletter
Join the ship's company on MEMBER SAILS
Each *Crew Member* will sail for $3
Bring guests on MEMBER SAILS @ $15 each
"Badges of Membership" ~
the lovely "*ERNESTINA-1894*" scrimshaw pin
Schooner *ERNESTINA* auto window decal

***Crew Members* (Family) $60**
Entire family enjoys *Crew Member* status and benefits listed above

***ERNESTINA Shipmates* $200**
Entire family enjoys *Crew Member* status and benefits listed above
plus
Free admission to MEMBER SAILS
(*Shipmates* guests sail for $10 each)

***Corporate Membership* $500**
All employees receive 25% discount on membership
Listed as *Business Partner* and supporter of Schooner *ERNESTINA*

***Organizational Membership* $125**
All members receive 25% discount on membership
Listed as *Organizational Partner* and supporter of Schooner *ERNESTINA*

***Corporate Sponsorship* $5000**
Special acknowledgment of sponsorship in print and electronic media
Choice of school or organization to receive half day sail program
Evening sail or dockside reception for company use
Listed as *Corporate Sponsor* and *Business Partner*

SCHOONER ERNESTINA

Sail Aboard a Legend!

make a coastal passage on

Schooner ERNESTINA

ex EFFIE M. MORRISSEY

Yankee Fishing Schooner of Renown
Famous Arctic Exploration Vessel
&
Veteran of 24 Atlantic Crossings in Service as a Cape Verdean Packet

When & Where: Schooner ERNESTINA leaving Quincy, Mass., on Sunday, Aug. 20, bound over Cape Cod Bay, through the Cape Cod Canal into Buzzards Bay. Passing through to Long Island Sound, she will put in at Bridgeport, Conn. Monday PM, Aug. 21. On Tuesday, Aug. 22, there will be two daysails on Long Island Sound. Schooner ERNESTINA will leave Bridgeport Wed., Aug. 23, to pass back along the sound, across Buzzards Bay and into Vineyard Sound, putting in at Vineyard Haven on the Island of Martha's Vineyard on Thurday, Aug. 24.

Two Day Passage ~ Outward Bound

- Join ship at Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy, Mass., Sun., Aug. 20 early AM
- Sail Schooner ERNESTINA as fully involved crew (2600 sq ft. mains'l)
- 2 days & 2 nights aboard, bunk & all meals included
- Leave ship in Bridgeport, Conn., Tues., Aug 22 early AM
- Price ~ $200

Travel arrangements and costs to Quincy, Mass. and from Bridgeport, Conn. are the responsibility of participants and are not included in ERNESTINA passage.

Two Day Passage ~ Homeward Bound

- Join ship in Bridgeport, Conn., ~~Wed.~~ Tues. evening, Aug. 22
- Sail ERNESTINA as fully involved crew to Martha's Vineyard
- Leave ship at Vineyard Haven, ~~Fri.~~ Thurs. afternoon, Aug. 24
- 2 days & 2 nights aboard, bunk & all meals included
- Price ~ $200

Travel arrangements and costs to Bridgeport and from the Vineyard are the responsibility of participants and are not included in ERNESTINA passage.

Full Five Day Passage ~ Quincy to Bridgeport to Martha's Vineyard

- Join ship at Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy, Mass., Sun., Aug. 20 early AM
- Full passage as part of ship's company
- Leave ship at Vineyard Haven, Thurs. evening, Aug. 24
  Ferry service to Woods Hole from Vineyard Haven.
- 5 days & 4 nights aboard, bunk & all meals included
- Price ~ $450

Travel arrangements and costs to Quincy and from the Vineyard are the responsibility of participants and are not included in ERNESTINA passage.

For information and reservations please call, fax or write:
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P.O.Box 2010
New Bedford, MA 02741-2010
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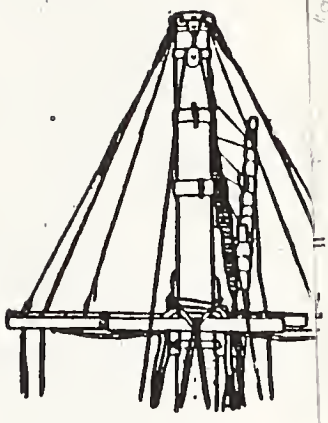

Many Thanks from
Schooner ERNESTINA

Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy, MA

USS Constitution Museum

Boston National Historical Park, Charlestown Navy Yard

Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA

Bob Cook, Emily Johns & all the Tonnessen Park Volunteers

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institutio Marine Dept.

The Coffee Jungle Restaurant, New Bedford

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ERNESTINA:
A NEW FORCE IN EDUCATION FOR THE COMMONWEALTH

Education is at the core of ERNESTINA's mission and her development as an accessible educational and cultural resource was central to this winter's work. As the big schooner slept at her berth in New Bedford harbor, shoreside activity all through the winter was insuring a full schedule for ERNESTINA's 1995 teaching season. Energy, talent and effort drawn from many quarters was coordinated through the ERNESTINA staff and Commission during these last formative months. Many of ERNESTINA's connections with other Massachusetts state agencies were strengthened and completely new associations were formed as the "off season" proved to be an extraordinary period of development and expansion.

"We're building from the center and working outward .." is a phrase often used by Ernestina's Executive Director, Gregg Swanzey, and that describes what happened throughout the fall and winter months as Gregg and Tom Goux, ERNESTINA's Program Coordinator began meeting and planning with a number of New Bedford area educators, laying the groundwork for the active season that has now arrived.

Newsletter segments that follow explain the substance and breadth of this activity: engagement of the schooner by elementary teachers, special needs educators, high schools, teacher enhancement workshop programs, and adjudicated youth programs. ERNESTINA is reaching out to connect with her homeport community, first of all, and then to offer service and opportunity beyond her home harbor to learners and teachers up and down the coastline and throughout the region.

Also included in this issue is the schooner's schedule for the months of June and July. At press time August activities are being finalized and an August-September schedule will be mailed out later, as arrangements are finalized.

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AND MUCH MORE!

Winter Among PALMS ~ on Buzzards Bay

Collaboration with New Bedford area educators and National Science Foundation (NSF) teacher enhancement programs in the southeastern New England region helped launch ERNESTINA on a very important passage this year. This is a passage *in company* with Commonwealth teachers and students from elementary through university level and though it began in New Bedford it will eventually connect ERNESTINA with dozens of communities throughout the state.

New Bedford Public School District is an active center for the Partnership for the Advancement of Learning Mathematics and Science (PALMS Project), a NSF-funded program of in-service training aimed at improving math and science learning and teaching. PALMS activities are a perfect setting for the natural application of the resources of Schooner ERNESTINA. A solid and mutually beneficial relationship began through preliminary talks with Eileen Kenny, New Bedford Public School District's Director of Curriculum and PALMS Project leader, and is expanding through regional PALMS Project meetings and workshops. This involvement has led to the designation of Schooner ERNESTINA as a provider of Professional Development Points (PDP's) through the Mass. Dept. of Education.

This turn of events has an interesting two-way effect: The discovery of ERNESTINA (or in some cases rediscovery) by individual teachers, science departments and school systems coincides with and complements the reformation of ERNESTINA curriculum as it is broadened to make it more useful and relevant to the educators of the 1990's. ERNESTINA staff, along with these area colleagues, have started an ongoing reexamination of traditional onboard teaching in the light of the PALMS philosophy and constructivist educational theory, emphasizing problem solving, visualization, critical and creative thinking and cooperative learning . There is a powerful convergence as these current educational thrusts meet the "built-in" challenges that await the receptive mind of both student and teacher aboard Schooner ERNESTINA.

ERNESTINA's crew/educators operate at the interface of these elements ~ colleagues and their students in an unconventional learning place to use unique materials for exploration; unusual *ways* of investigating physics, orientation and navigation, the natural world, the impact of humankind on the environment; the complexity of the vessel, her remarkable history and sociology. The educational community is excited to find that all these elements can and do meet on the decks of ERNESTINA and that all teachers and learners, in the New Bedford region and throughout the Commonwealth, are welcome aboard.

Boston Schools, Boston Marine Society Programs Start Season

The 1995 sailing and teaching season began with a flourish as the Boston Public Schools hosted a very important first program of dockside and underway programs underwritten by a generous grant from the Boston Marine Society. Over 650 Boston Public school students (grades 3 -12) and their teachers came aboard from Monday, May 15, through Friday, May 19. The programs ranged from two hour dockside sessions to half-day sails out among the Harbor Islands. Two more full days of programming followed on May 30 and 31.

These programs were most appreciated by the participants, with "rave reviews" coming in by phone, fax and through the mail from delighted Boston teachers and administrators. Special commendation are frequent for ERNESTINA crew/faculty and their energetic delivery of the six-station ERNESTINA curriculum. This intense schedule was the auspicious beginning of a number of school programs and teacher workshops that continue through the season.

ERNESTINA:

The Mass Bays Connection

Cosponsorship by the Department of Education and Department of Environmental Management provided for a series of meetings on the decks of the ERNESTINA this June bringing educators, teachers, institutions and agencies together through the Mass Bays Program and Massachusetts Bays Education Alliance. The ship sailed from Quincy at Bay Pointe Marina, Boston at the Charlestown Navy Yard and Gloucester at the Gloucester State Fish Pier for three hour sails designed to highlight local activities in education and action and to set the stage for connection, networking and coordination to enhance future activities.

The Massachusetts Bays Program is a federal, state and local partnership established to protect the natural resources of Massachusetts and Cape Cod Bays. The MBP is funded under the Clean Water Act through the Environmental Protection Agency and administered by the Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management office. The MBP's primary focus is to provide research, planning and management of water resources in order to protect living resources and their habitats.

The Massachusetts Bays Education Alliance was established to connect the MBP to teachers throughout the Bays and to provide a vehicle for sharing educational resources on watershed and Bays issues. Through teacher workshops, quarterly newsletters, a telecommunications network and sponsored events, the MBEA serves teachers and educators from environmental education organizations and agencies in the 161 towns and cities located within the Massachusetts Bays watershed.

For more information on these programs:

- Mass Bays Program, call 1-800-447-BAYS
- Massachusetts Bays Educational Alliance, call Faith Burbank at 1-617-740-4913.

Envirothon Winners Sail from Gloucester to Buzzards Bay

The Massachusetts Envirothon is a natural resource competition that prepares high school students for their role as future leaders in careers in the environmental sciences. Teams of students represent their school at a one-day, statewide challenge in May. The winners of this year's competition from Mahar Regional HS in Orange, MA came aboard the ERNESTINA at the Gloucester State Fish Pier and sailed seventy miles to Buzzards Bay through the Cape Cod Canal. Congratulations! (Other winning teams will join the ship later in the season,)

From the Aft Cabin

This column will carry a message from ERNESTINA Executive Director Gregg Swanzey, who served as both Captain and Director last year. This season he is "hard aground" tending to shoreside matters: administrative, legislative, logistical, financial, etc.

ERNESTINA is well underway in this first full season of a new era. She is ship shape, her mission is expanding, she's vital, she's active, she forges on in her fashion - a survivor, an explorer, timeless and seemingly indestructible. But, without her people, without support and commitment from her *community* ERNESTINA is just an empty vessel.

There is an old story called "Stone Soup" that goes something like this: Long ago, in a village hit by famine, people were at a loss to see a way out of their predicament. One day a villager had an idea. She took a large pot and set it up in the village square with fire stoked underneath and water boiling. She threw a large stone into the bottom and stirred. She stirred and tasted and cooked some more as everyone's curiosity grew. At first an occasional passerby might stop and ask what she was cooking. She would say "Stone soup." After several hours of stirring and tasting a crowd gathered and she proclaimed "Tastes pretty good but something is missing." Someone in the village stepped forward and said "I've got some carrots we can throw in." Another had some potatoes, another some spice. Soon the soup was thick and rich. Everyone feasted.

ERNESTINA's story is one of stone soup: both tales begin with a vessel (in the case of ERNESTINA a schooner instead of a pot) and both stories work out from that central object to include the community until the "village" has produced something "thick and rich."

If stakeholders in ERNESTINA each throw something into the pot, others will have a clear message of commitment. All of the Commissioners, staff and volunteers have done so. Agencies in the Commonwealth have done so. Cities, Chambers of Commerce and schools are doing so. We are building partnerships in business and with private foundations to provide sponsorships for programs to make them affordable. But still, it will happen only with individual membership, contribution and support.

Join ERNESTINA today! Please notice that, as a member you can sign up for a berth on ERNESTINA transits and daysails. You can make your mark as we put programs together or participate in colorful festival events with Schooner ERNESTINA front and center.

Ask your neighbor, business or organization to get involved!

Our satisfaction will come in the feast enjoyed by all of us, by our children and our larger community!

ERNESTINA Finds Haven on Vineyard

May 23-26 Schooner ERNESTINA docked at Packer's Marine in Vineyard Haven for two very full days of involvement with the educational community of the island of Martha's Vineyard. Discussions began with Anne Allen, volunteer Director of the Community History Project (CHiP) and advisor to the Martha's Vineyard H.S. Multicultural Club, and expanded to involve Sam Sawyer of the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools' Educational Resources Center. A schedule developed that included two mornings of dockside programs with the elementary level Bridges Program coordinated by Director Susan Phelps, and two late afternoon sails with high school students, faculty, administrators, PTO and School Committee members.

Highlights of the visit included the participation of two men who have been crucial to the survival and progress of ERNESTINA: Joli Gonsalves and Fred Littleton. Both are former Chairmen of the Schooner ERNESTINA Commission and are primary sources regarding the history of the vessel.

Mr. Gonsalves is a leading member of the Cape Verdean-American community and founder of the Cape Verdean-American Cultural Center in New Bedford. As a recognized authority on the history of the vessel who knew Capt. Henrique Mendes during his working life in the Cape Verdean packet trade, Joli spoke of this era of the ship's life, commented on the culture of the islands and offered authentic Cape Verdean songs.

Mr. Littleton resides on Martha's Vineyard where he builds boats and recently retired from the post of harbormaster at Menemsha.. His connection to ERNESTINA reaches back over fifty years - Fred was on the 1941 crew as a "Bartlett Boy" for a summer expedition to Greenland. He has often shared his stories of adventure aboard the EFFIE M. MORRISSEY with Vineyard school children.

Both Joli and Fred have given years of devoted effort to the preservation and success of the schooner and they continue to "pull with a will" this season!

From the Commission

This column will regularly carry news regarding the work of the Massachusetts Schooner ERNESTINA Commission, profiles of it's members and messages from them. Initially, we hear about and from the Chairman, Jim Brown:

H. James Brown *is Professor of city and regional planning at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He is also director of Harvard's joint Center for Housing Studies. He was appointed to the Commission in the spring by Governor Weld. Initial meetings of the Commission were presided over by Deputy Commissioner Peter Smith of the Department of Environmental Management, serving as interim Chairman. At the June 23, 1994 meeting Dr. Brown was elected Chairman by unanimous vote.*

A message from Chairman Brown:

"It is an honor and a challenge to accept our charge as Commissioners. We are champions of the cause and must lead the effort in guiding the course of this *cultural treasure* that is *ERNESTINA*. Her rich, historic past and her important mission for today and the future inspires each and every one of us on the Commission. The ship, the program, fund-raising, operations and maintenance: all fall under the governance the Commission. The tasks are formidable. Be assured this team of Commissioners brings enthusiasm, an assortment of talents and a variety of resources and experience to the job.

We on the Commission, along with dedicated *ERNESTINA* crew and staffers, plunged into this past sailing season determined to see *ERNESTINA* regain her unique stature as an historic coastal schooner with the ability to inspire the public of all ages and all walks of life. With careful allocation of modest financial resources, coupled with the significant assistance of a small army of volunteers, the ship was proudly and properly returned to her rightful position here in the Commonwealth ~ a cultural treasure to be used and preserved for future generations.

With the payment of past debt, the refitting of the vessel, the establishment of new and vital educational programs and the re-emergence of the schooner upon the cultural scene all along the New England coast, it is a new and promising day for *ERNESTINA* Careful planning and effective execution was well begun in 1994. The official Business Plan was completed this spring and 1995 will be a time when all Commissioners will be giving redoubled effort to laying the fiscal groundwork for the future. We must cultivate all our resources: public, private sector, individual and corporate.

The season is off to a great start; ERNESTINA is in service to the citizens of the Commonwealth and we, the members of the ERNESTINA Commission, are at our stations.

Volunteers

Make the Difference!

Volunteer involvement with Schooner *ERNESTINA* has been extraordinary. Resources for professional staff and crew are stretched to the limit making volunteer participation absolutely essential to the success of last year's "restart" program and the dynamic progress of 1995.

Last spring, as the ship began to "come to life" at the D.N. Kelley and Sons Shipyard in Fairhaven, so too did that unexplainable energy that is the heart and soul of *ERNESTINA*: ***people*** ~ people who come out to help, to contribute, to invest their own time and labor in the project. Some were long-time supporters of the effort, others were discovering *ERNESTINA* for the first time. From five to ten of the ship's company were volunteer crew members during each of the transit voyages last summer. These folks not only served as deckhands and important team members of a ship underway, but, also were on hand for the activities of the ship while she was dockside in New Bedford, Fall River, Gloucester, Boston and Vineyard Haven during August and September of 1994.

Again this year volunteers have pitched in. As the sailing season commences volunteer activity increases and expands to include participants from around the state. Citizens from not only the New Bedford area, but from Fall River and Providence, the Cape, the Boston area and from Gloucester can find themselves "joining the crew" of their state's tall ship. The goal of staffing *ERNESTINA* with knowledgeable, congenial, informative crew members as she accommodates the visiting public, dockside, can only be attained with the development of a committed volunteer contingent. (See the schedule for *Member/Volunteer Opportunities)*

The example of the hundreds of volunteer hours contributed last season sets the tone for an expanding volunteer program in 1995. The actual total of hours of labor the *dollar amount* represented by this effort would be hard to quantify. However, and more importantly, it is the spirit of community, cooperation and connection that makes this such a significant part of the *ERNESTINA* picture.

It is clear that each volunteer makes a difference for ERNESTINA. The personal interests and talents these individuals bring to the ship and the personal growth and enrichment they take away from their experience combines in an amazing collective power that sends the entire effort forward, toward the bright dawn of *ERNESTINA*'s second century.

Come join in!

Buzzards Bay Rim Project

Concurrent with the PALMS connection, a link was being forged with a similar program headquartered at University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, The Buzzards Bay RIM Project, under the administration of Dr. Timothy O'Sullivan and Dr. Katherine Stygall-O'Sullivan. With teacher enhancement objectives similar to the PALMS Project, this program has, over the last three years, been serving math and science "lead teachers" from several school districts including New Bedford and Fall River.

Through the winter ERNESTINA staff participated as members of a design team working on the formulation of an expanded 5-year NSF grant which was submitted last month. On Friday, May 26, RIM Project teachers celebrated the completion of their workshop activities for 1995 with a reception at Tonnessen Park and aboard ERNESTINA.

While PALMS and RIM Project focus is on math and science with an emphasis of inquiry-based, hands-on learning - vivid and accessible at every turn aboard ERNESTINA - all these educators are thrilled with the *other* elements ever-present on the schooner. Their's is a concern with the kind of science and math teaching that involves the young minds in actual problems, tangible challenge, real-time solutions and cooperative, creative approaches to meeting a test. ERNESTINA offers a powerful setting for this kind of teaching , but the century of history and humanity that resides *in* ERNESTINA gives a wonderful amplification to the lessons learned. To discuss and explore the ingenuity of the 19th century mariner and fisherman, to pose the questions that faced the arctic adventurer, to analyze the challenge of transatlantic navigation, the logistics of the immigrants' voyage - all these things involve calculations and quantitative analysis, but, they also connect to other issues of economics, psychology, sociology and politics. This interdisciplinary aspect has great power for students and teachers aboard ERNESTINA. It connects the laboratory to life and the textbook to the timeline of history.

Massachusetts Maritime Academy Cadets Join ERNESTINA crew!

A cadre of MMA cadets led by senior Mike LaRocca joined the crew of the Schooner ERNESTINA for a transit sail from Charlestown Navy Yard in Boston to the MMA campus on Buzzards Bay, May 19-20. The coed contingent (5 female, 5 male) were welcomed by ERNESTINA's regular crew members to join in the operation of the vessel during the voyage. This particular passage brought the cadets "home" to Taylor's Point as the Academy celebrated National Maritime Day on May 20.

The Academy has offered Schooner ERNESTINA staff and crew access to a number resources as a state vessel, including: dockage and accommodation at Taylor's Point, fire fighting training, medical certification procedures and radar certification.

The June 6 transit to Gloucester also included MMA cadet crew members. These two voyages begin what will be a mutually beneficial and expanding relationship between Mass. Maritime and Schooner ERNESTINA.

State Science Fair Winners Come Aboard

Young scientists and their mentors came over the rail on May 30 and 31 for evening sails given for the winners of the Massachusetts State Science Fair, which took place in April. This prize was offered through the cosponsorship of the Mass. Dept. of Education and the Dept. of Environmental Management.

The State Science Fair attracts an army of ingenious, inquisitive students from across the Commonwealth. Over one hundred of these high schoolers and many of the science teachers responsible for the organization of the fairs state wide sailed Boston Harbor, took part in operating the vessel and explored much of what there is to learn aboard Schooner ERNESTINA.

Eleanor A Tishler, State Science Fair Director, wrote to the Commission:

> " ...educationally, in all aspects, it was a true learning experience ... hands-on learning at its best!... The crew was exceptional - each one with a distinct personality, and everyone so willing to interact with the guests....From our perspective both sails were flawless ... aboard the spectacular ERNESTINA."

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1995

SUMMER SCHEDULE

June

1	**Massachusetts Bays Educational Alliance❀☞** 3:30pm-8pm, Charlestown Navy Yard
2	**Massachusetts Bays Educational Alliance❀☞** 5pm-8pm, Quincy
3	**Save the Harbor/Save the Bay & Mass. Marine Educators❀** 8am-1pm & 2pm-7pm, Charlestown Navy Yard (CNY)
6	**Transit CNY to Gloucester** 8am-1pm w/Cape Ann Waldorf School 6th Grade **Evening Sail w/ Cape Ann Area ☞ Public School Educators** 4pm-8pm
8	**Massachusetts Bays Educational Alliance❀☞** 2pm-8pm
9	**Transit to Cape Cod Canal** ✱ **Member Sail Opportunity**
10-12	**Mass. Dept. of Youth Services**
13-14	**Sharon Middle School** Daysails from New Bedford, 10am-2pm
16	**New Bedford Schools PALMS** 3pm-8pm, dockside
17	**Transit to Cape Cod Canal** ✱ **Member Sail Opportunity**
18-20	**Mass. Dept. of Youth Services** Disembark Fall River
22	**Taunton River Watershed Project❀☞** 2pm-8pm, Fall River
23	**Transit Fall River to New Bedford w/ Museum Discovery Workshop** hosted by Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies 8am-5pm
24	**New Bedford Schools PALMS** 10am-2pm, daysail **Transit New Bedford to Cape Cod Canal, pm** ✱ **Member Sail Opportunity**
25-26	**Mass. Dept. of Youth Services** Disembarking New Bedford
29	**✱ERNESTINA MEMBERSHIP SAIL✱** 6pm-9pm, New Bedford call office for info/sign-up
30	**New Bedford Summerfest** 11am-5pm Ship open to public

DON'T MISS IT!

COME ONE! COME ALL!

NEW BEDFORD SUMMERFEST

June 30, July 1, 2

State Pier, New Bedford

featuring your favorite tall ship

the beloved

Schooner ERNESTINA

Open to the public

(call if you'd like to be Volunteer Crew that weekend to meet and greet folks; make new friends for ERNESTINA!)

MEMBERSHIP SAILS

Informal 3-hour Sails for Members and their Guests

~ members $3 ~ guests $15 ~

for reservations call (508) 992-4900

Thursday, June 29, 6PM -9PM

State Pier, New Bedford

"An Evening on Buzzards Bay"

✱

Saturday, July 15, 9am-12noon

Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy, MA

"Among the Boston Harbor Islands"

✱

Friday, July 21, 6pm-9pm

State Pier, New Bedford

"Harbor Lights Cruise"

mid-season

Schooner *ERNESTINA*
OPEN HOUSE
&
Tonnessen Park
POTLUCK

~ MUSIC & MERRIMENT ~ FUN & FOOD ~
~ COME ONE, COME ALL ~

WHEN: SUNDAY, JULY 30th, 1pm - 4pm
WHERE: TONNESSEN PARK at STATE PIER in NEW BEDFORD and aboard Schooner *ERNESTINA*
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July

1	**New Bedford Summerfest** 11am-5pm Ship open to public
2	**New Bedford Summerfest** Blessing of the Fleet, 1pm-3pm **4pm-6pm Ship open to public** Fireworks Sail, 8pm-10pm sponsored by New Bedford Standard Times
5	**Schooner Evening in New Bedford Harbor** 4pm-7pmOpen House aboard ERNESTINA and SPIRIT OF MASSACHUSETTS w/Tonnessen Park Potluck
8	**Transit New Bedford to Providence, RI** ✷ Member Sail Opportunity
9	**R.I. Hist. Preservation & Heritage Comm.** Celebrating 20th anniversary Cape Verdean independence 12noon, India Point Park
10	**Transit Providence to New Bedford** ✷ Member Sail Opportunity
12	**Transit New Bedford to Boston** ✷ Member Sail Opportunity
13	**John Hancock Sponosorship Sail** Rowes Wharf, Boston, evening
15	**✷ERNESTINA MEMBERSHIP SAIL✷** 9am-12noon, Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy, MA call office for info/sign-up
16	**Transit Quincy to CNY** ✷ Member Sail Opportunity **Classic Boat Parade, CNY, 2pm**
18	**Transit CNY to Provincetown, Cape Cod** ✷ Member Sail Opportunity
20	**Transit Provincetown to New Bedford** ✷ Member Sail Opportunity
21	**✷ERNESTINA MEMBERSHIP SAIL✷** 6pm-9pm, New Bedford call office for info/sign-up
23-24	**Mass. Dept. of Youth Services**
25	**1st ANNUAL JOE CARDOZO MEMORIAL MINORITY YOUTH SAIL 9am-1pm** **hosted by ERNESTINA/MORRISSEY HISTORICAL ASSOC.**
28-29	**Mass. Dept. of Youth Services**
30	**ERNESTINA Open House & Tonnessen Park Potluck** 1pm-4pm, New Bedford
31-	**Univ. Mass. Dartmouth Continuing Ed.**
Aug. 4	**ERNESTINA 5-Daysail Teachers Workshop**

Who's Crew?

What follows is a short listing of those serving as professional crew this year. This professional group is often supplemented by volunteer crew members, including many highly skilled licensed mariners, giving their time and effort to help the ship. Future columns in this space will profile other crew, staff and volunteers!

A fascinating aspect of the exciting energy of ERNESTINA is the "personality" of the professional staff and crew tending to the educational and operational activities of the ship. In fact, all the members of this team wear multiple hats in order to take care of tasks and projects that need to be accomplished: fitting out the ship, putting dockside and under-sail programs in motion, training and supervising volunteers aboard and ashore, organizing, producing and cleaning up (!) after public events, etc.

Most important, however, is their ability to work as a team of teachers, explainers, problem posers and facilitators as program participants tune-in to the opportunities for learning found on ERNESTINA. Their task calls for an interesting mix of very specialized seamanship and the skills of a unique educator who may face a remarkable range of students on any given day.

Just who *are* these people? Certainly they are not *just* sailors, a salty mob of scurvy dogs fluent in ed-speak. From whence have they come and what have they done

Captain Steven Briggs is in command of the vessel this season. Capt. Briggs has held his USCG Master rating for ten years and has skippered *HARVEY GAMAGE*, the 1907 three-masted Schooner *ELINOR*, has served as mate aboard SSV *TOLE MOUR* in the Pacific, and *SPIRIT OF MASSACHUSETTS, NEW WAY* and the 130' Brigantine *YOUNG AMERICA*. Steve also has extensive experience as a tugboat captain engaged in marine towing, salvage and construction.

Amanda Madeira, first mate and holds a captain's license. Amanda has her master mariner's rating and, likewise, possesses remarkable skills as an educator gained through years of training and professional experience with programs aboard *HARVEY GAMAGE, REGINA MARIS, ANNE KRISTINE, WHEN & IF* and *BOWDOIN*. Most recently, she has worked with Schooner *ADVENTURESS* on Puget Sound, which offers a program focused mainly on environmental education for public school children. As a student at Hampshire College, Amanda became especially interested in salt marsh ecology and did extensive field work here in southeastern New England. Amanda is also ERNESTINA's artist-in-residence, having received a Master of Arts degree from Montserrat College of Art, as a sculptor.

Doug Randall also serves as mate and holds a captain's license. Doug is in the mainstream of maritime preservation and education. As a scholar he has done archival work at the USS *CONSTITUTION* Museum with the Joshua Humphries Papers; as a sailor he has shipped aboard *HARVEY GAMAGE, SHENANDOAH, CALIFORNIAN* and with the *R. TUCKER THOMPSON*, an educational sailing program in New Zealand. He is managing the effort to preserve the historic tugboat *LUNA* (*LUNA* Preservation Society, Boston) and recently worked on the Steering and Background Committees for the Harbor Visions Charette, held in Boston last fall. Doug represented Schooner ERNESTINA at the Maritime Heritage Conference, held at the Charlestown Navy Yard in September, at the Boston meeting of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and at the annual convention of the American Sail Training Association, held this year in Bridgeport, CT. He has a background in graphic design and a B.A. from California State University, Long Beach.

Laurie Belisle is Onboard Educational Coordinator. Laurie has been a public school teacher, an instructor aboard a variety of sail training vessels and a commercial photographer and designer. She holds a USCG Master rating and has sailed in the Caribbean, across the Atlantic, on the Mediterranean and Red Seas. Her pursuits have taken her to the mid-Pacific Ocean aboard *TOLE MOUR* with the OceanQuest youth-at-risk programs, to New Foundland and Nova Scotia as educator aboard *ANNE KRISTINE* and into Puget Sound with the environmentally-focused program of Schooner

Tora Johnson comes to ERNESTINA with a rich background of research and teaching in the fields of marine biology and environmental education. She has developed and implemented curricula for programs on Long Island Sound, New York Harbor, Mystic River, Hudson River and Fisher's Island Sound under the auspices of the Voyager Cruises Coastal Ecology Program, the *CLEARWATER* programs and Williams College-Mystic Seaport Program in American Maritime Studies. These activities have brought her a broad range of students including elementary, special education, at-risk youth, secondary and university level. Tora is a graduate of the University of Oregon and did post-graduate research work at the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology.

Jeanna Ozyck comes to ERNESTINA after experience on the schooner *ADVENTURESS* and Sloop *CLEARWATER* as an environmental educator. Jeanna is a natural teacher with special experience in group facilitation, conflict resolution and mediation.

Traudi Coli is ERNESTINA 's onboard anthropologist. She holds a graduate degree from Rhode Island College's African and Afro-American Studies Program where she studied the history and culture of the Cape Verde Islands with a special interest in the sailing packet trade. A long-time devotee to the ERNESTINA *cause*, Traudi can

"reef, hand and steer" with sailors twice (or three times) her size. She worked 45 days last year as an ERNESTINA volunteer and has signed on this year as regular crew/educator. Traudi is fluent in six languages and holds a second graduate degree in the field of health care.

Russell Ramos is a videographer by training; a Cape Verdean by birth and a teacher by nature ~ a great combination for ERNESTINA! He has taught in a variety of settings including DYS and other youth programs. This season he leapt aboard for a three day at-sea program with DYS and immediately "clapped on". His skills and insight as a councilor and teacher are invaluable.

Joe Andrade is the crew member with perhaps the most time aboard Schooner ERNESTINA. Joe shipped on as an apprentice with Capt. Dan Moreland for several summers and traveled thousands of miles aboard the vessel, learning the skills of deckhand. Since that time he has left New Bedford to serve in the U.S. Army and is now completing his degree in aeronautical engineering at Bridgewater State College.

Steve Bibula is steward *extraordinaire!* ERNESTINA's crew and her guests are well fed this season thanks to this master-of-the-galley. Steve has been culinary commodore aboard Sloop *CLEARWATER* and has presented his delicious fare up and down the Hudson River valley. Shoreside, Steve tends an organic garlic farm in the Berkshire Mountains.

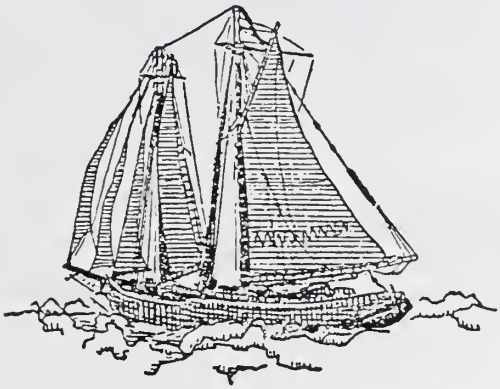
Aaron Macedo is serving as deckhand while developing his skills as a sail training instructor and bos'n. Aaron's knowledge of the mechanical and engineering systems of the schooner is becoming legendary. He has sailed previously as volunteer crew and works through the year on maintenance projects along with Marty Casey and other volunteers.

Tom Demanche, a graduate of Massachusetts Maritime Academy, is serving as chief engineer. Tom's background includes extensive work with Diesel engines of all sizes, steam and boiler operations, tugboat and towing work and power plant systems.

Dept. of Youth Services

ERNESTINA completed a two day pilot program with DYS last month on a sail from Buzzards Bay at the Mass Maritime Academy to New Bedford. Twelve young men and four caseworkers came ashore with a great sense of accomplishment after a very successful program. This first sail set the stage for three others like it this June and others to follow during the course of the summer and fall.

Through a series of overnight sails up to 12 youth are placed aboard ERNESTINA in an environment conducive to interaction with four casework staff and ERNESTINA crew on an intensive basis. The program assists youth on refocusing positive elements and allows caseworkers to check in with clients on new ground.



Westport Special Needs Students Bunk-In; Sail Before Dawn!

Special needs teacher Joel Sullivan and six of his students from Westport High School sailed on Schooner ERNESTINA from Boston to Buzzards Bay in the early morning hours of Saturday, May 20. The group joined the ship at Charlestown Navy Yard the previous night and bunked-in overnight along with the MMA cadets who also joined the ship's company for the voyage.

Mr. Sullivan reports that the group was thrilled with the experience and has high praise for Capt. Briggs and his efficient crew of competent mariner/educators, and especially for ERNESTINA's Onboard Education Coordinator, Laurie Belisle.

for curriculum and
interpretive display development

Massachusetts Environmental Trust Awards Grant to ERNESTINA

Did you ever wonder about those license plates featuring a sounding Humpback Whale available as an option from the Dept. of Motor Vehicles as you register your car? The fees for those plates help fund the Massachusetts Environmental Trust. As you acquire your plates you are also helping to fund development of educational programs such as aboard the Schooner ERNESTINA.

Schooner ERNESTINA will receive $14,500 from the Massachusetts Environmental Trust beginning in July to develop one of six education stations; part of her education program aboard. The grant will provide for design, development, implementation and assessment of a station we call **"Leaving a wake, our impact on the environment."** The station draws on existing materials and resources specific to each locality in ERNESTINA's area of operation. It will offer participants leads for further investigation and contacts for futher involvement to examine local environmental issues and explore solutions for the future.

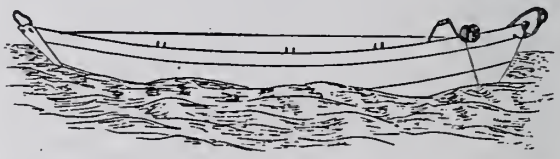
IN MEMORY OF JOE CARDOZO

The saga of ERNESTINA is not really the story of a ship, it's the story of her people. It is a sweeping, inclusive tale that spans generations, reaches across oceans and, at everyturn, in every episode speaks of men and women who worked hard, used the schooner for their purpose and, in turn, preserved it for another day and another generation.

At about this time last year we mourned the passing from this world of Joseph C. Cardozo, a central figure in the history of Schooner *ERNESTINA*. Joe Cardozo was involved from the outset in the effort to bring *ERNESTINA* to New England; first through the Connecticut Friends of *Ernestina/Morrissey* and later through the Massachusetts Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission and the *Ernestina/Morrissey* Historical Association (EMHA).

As a memorial to Joe, EMHA is hosting the first annual

JOSEPH C. CARDOZO MEMORIAL MINORITY YOUTH SAIL
July 25.
9am - 1pm



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THE SPAN OF A CENTURY: 1894-1994

ERNESTINA's Yesteryears

10 Years Ago

1984 ~ After her first year in New Bedford, the local press reports: "...her prospects improve almost daily ... Gov. Michael S. Dukakis approved an emergency appropriation of $23,000 to carry *ERNESTINA* through the winter." Restoration work continues under the direction of Capt. Dan Moreland. Two new mast are fitted, given by Mrs. Anne Dunbar in memory of her husband Charles E. "Chick" Dunbar, a longtime enthusiastic supporter of WHALE, in New Bedford.

25 Years Ago

1969 ~ American heroes of the space age are the first men to walk on the moon; in the Cape Verde Islands there is a steady march towards independence, still seven years away. Schooner *ERNESTINA* continues to serve as an inter-island packet and ferry boat between island communities. In this service *ERNESTINA* sometimes carries as many as 300 passengers! Island children attend local elementary schools then go on to centralized secondary schools, always delivered and retrieved by the trusty island packet ships, *ERNESTINA* among them. Sadly, in 1969 *ERNESTINA's* longtime owner/captain Henrique Mendes begins the final year of his life, an epoch of skill and remarkable success as a businessman and seafarer. His career spanned over half a century, some 52 transatlantic crossings and the operation of more than 20 vessels. He always proclaimed *ERNESTINA* "...the strongest one!"

50 Years Ago

1944 ~ The tide is about to turn for the Allies in history's greatest military saga and the *EFFIE M. MORRISSEY* is there! Pressed into service in 1942, the ship is working for both the U.S. Navy and the Army Air Corps in Greenland. There are really two crews aboard: the schooner crew, Brigus men under the command of Capt. Bob Bartlett and the military group headed by Commander Alexander Forbes. The mission was one of charting, supply and radio relay work (see The Quest for the Northern Air Route, Alexander Forbes, Harvard Univ. Press).

From a National Geographic Magazine article by Capt. Bartlett:

> " ... in the summer of 1944 we sailed for Greenland ... [its] rugged coasts, marble glaciers and skyscraper icebergs have not failed to thrill me since the first time I sailed with Admiral Robert E. Peary in 1898. There you can forget civilization's worries. ... Drifting polar ice bars ship from the east coast most of the year, and in some summers ships find navigation there almost impossible. Taking aboard a party of G.I. radio and weather men, we set sail and entered Prince Christians Sound. There heavy Arctic ice hemmed in the *MORRISSEY*, opened her stern and bent her propeller."

Capt. Bartlett returned safely in the *EFFIE M. MORRISSEY* and "tied up for the winter at the old Reed & Gamage Wharf in East Gloucester, MA.

75 Years Ago

1919 ~ The *MORRISSEY* is under British registry, being owned and operated by Capt. Harold Bartlett (Capt. Bob's cousin) in Brigus, Newfoundland. It will be forty years before Newfoundland voters opt for Canadian over British rule. The schooner is busy as a coastal packet, hauling wood, coal and other cargo from St. John's into Conception Bay, Trinity Bay and "down the Labrador."

100 Years Ago

1894 ~ A stout and hardy schooner is built in Essex, Massachusetts, for the John F. Wonson Co. of Gloucester and Capt. William E. Morrissey. She is named for Capt. Morrissey's daughter, Effie. The *EFFIE M. MORRISSEY* sails on her maiden trip salt banking, in command of Capt. Morrissey, March 14. She arrives back in Gloucester on July 28 with a haul of 250,000 pounds of salt cod. On November 8 she returns from her second voyage with 320,000 pounds, a record catch!

A Wish List

Contributions from members and friends can take many forms. Here is a list of things needed aboard ship that just may be in a basement or garage ~ check the list and call if you can help secure the donation of any of these items:

outboard motor (25hp)
binoculars
laptop computer
fishing and crabbing gear
curtains for bunks

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Many Thanks from Schooner ERNESTINA

City of New Bedford, Rosemary Tierney, Mayor

New Bedford Waterfront Visitors Center, Ed Camara, Dir.

New Bedford DPW, Tim Lobo

Mass. Maritime Academy , Capt. Rick Gurnan

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Cape Cod Canal

Boston Marine Society, Charlestown, MA

Sociodade/Verdean Gardens, New Bedford

Kendall Whaling Museum, Sharon, MA

Rhode Island College, Prof. Richard Lobban

Packer's Marine, Vineyard Haven

Gloucester State Fish Pier

National Park Service, Charlestown Navy Yard

N.E. Historic Seaport, Charlestown Navy Yard

Bay Pointe Marina, Quincy, MA

Bill Black Marine Agency, Falmouth, MA

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Membership: *Step Aboard* and Sail Into the 2nd Century!

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SCHOONER ERNESTINA NEWSLETTER
"The Log of a Record Run"

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Schooner Expands Teaching, Reaches More Students, Communities

ERNESTINA's teaching season began early this year with morning dockside programs during April and May for New Bedford fourth grade classes. Warmer weather brought dockside and underway programming in Boston involving both elementary and secondary schools. From May 27 through June 11, students and teachers from communities on Cape Cod, Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard were aboard Schooner ERNESTINA, discovering, teaching and learning.

ERNESTINA expands her mission as an interdiciplinary educational resource while continuing in her role as a symbol of Cape Verdean-American heritage and New England regional maritime historical preservation and interpretation.

Membership and citizen involvement is widening as a growing number of coastal communities and school systems "discover" and take advantage of the full potential of all ERNESTINA can offer. From Cape Ann to Narragansett Bay, educators are not only using and supporting the ship's quality curriculum offerings, but they are also experiencing ERNESTINA's power of community and the authentic historical connections she embodies.

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Island Foundation Grant Provides for New Bedford School Programs

Through a grant provided by the Island Foundation, hundreds of fourth graders from all parts of the city took part in a joint Schooner ERNESTINA/New Bedford Whaling Museum program which ran from the last week in March through the first week in May. The curriculum, entitled "Working on the Water," was developed during winter months by educators from ERNESTINA and the Whaling Museum in conjunction with New Bedford teachers and administrators. Supplementary funding came from the Mass. Department of Education.

ERNESTINA

Massachusetts' Tall Ship Leads Fleet!
1996:A Great Summer!
Big Fall Coming Up!
READ ALL ABOUT IT!
INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Reaction has been enthusiastic from participating New Bedford teachers: "..long over-due, incredibly important program," said fourth grade teacher, Emily Johns of the Winslow School. "The fishing heritage needs to be expanded in our teaching ... [it is] such an important part of the history of our city and many of our students' families."

Comparative Technologies Curriculum

The focus of "Working on the Water" is the comparison of two working vessels, both prime examples of their respective types, both

"Working on the Water" *continued* –

famous in their own time: the salt bank fishing schooner EFFIE M. MORRISSEY, now known as ERNESTINA, and the whaling bark LAGODA, splendidly replicated and interpreted at the N.B.W.M. An engaging visit aboard the schooner is coupled with a workshop session at the museum, "Working on the Water" is rich in hands-on activities for participants and leads students and their teachers into the consideration of many aspects of math, science, history, economics and, especially, comparative technologies.

New Bedford and Beyond

"Working on the Water" has great value beyond its application in New Bedford. Nantucket Public Schools, utilizing their own Whaling Museum resources, used the curriculum to great advantage during ERNESTINA's visit in May. Other localities find particular segments of "Working on the Water" engaging and productive. Both the technological elements of the material and the history/social science components have been put to good use by a variety of program participants.

CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF CAPE

COMMUNITY SUPPORT MAKES CAPE & ISLANDS PASSAGE POSSIBLE

As this past winter came and went, day after snowy day, plans were being laid to bring the ship to Cape and islands school children come springtime. The Community Foundation of Cape Cod (CFCC) extended grant funding allowing for the considerable groundwork needed for communication, and program development, scheduling and delivery.

In January and February, Schooner ERNESTINA presentations were given at curriculum meetings, teacher in-service conferences and PALMS gatherings. Concurrently, program information and requests for support were delivered to a host of possible Cape and islands funders in the private sector: corporate entities, financial institutions, large and small businesses and various service organizations.

As May flowers blossomed on Cape Cod, youngsters from Falmouth, Sandwich, Yarmouth, Dennis, Chatham, Harwich, Orleans, Nauset and Provincetown enjoyed dockside and underway activities aboard ERNESTINA. Teachers also benefited: an after-school staff development sessions took place at Dyer's Dock in Woods Hole and later on both Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard.

Early June breezes carried ERNESTINA to harbors on Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard for dockside and underway programs and PDP teacher workshops on both islands. The series ended with Vineyard fifth graders from the West Tisbury School sailing on ERNESTINA from Vineyard Haven to New Bedford. This was coordinated through the Educational Resource Center by ERC Director, Sam Sawyer, and partially funded by Tisbury Waterways, Inc.

Contributing to the support of these programs, in addition to the CFCC and the Mass. Dept. of Education, were the participating municipal school systems, Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc., Bill Black Marine Agency, Inc., Parker's Boat Yard, Mid-Cape Lions Club, Bourne-Sandwich Rotary Club, Yarmouth Rotary Club, the Friends of the Nantucket Public Schools and the Coffin School Trust.

Programs included not only class visits, but also public, open-ship events in Falmouth, Provincetown and Nantucket, where ERNESTINA became a feature of the annual Nantucket Harborfest. Footnote: Both islands saw ENESTINA's crewmembers welcomed to special evening events: there was a delicious cookout hosted by Martha's Vineyard ERC Director, Sam Sawyer, and the special Cape Verdean hospitality of the Sons and Daughters of Nantucket.

BOSTON MARINE SOCIETY PROGRAMS

BOSTON SCHOOLS STEP ABOARD FOR 2nd YEAR

The Boston Marine Society sponsorship of Schooner ERNESTINA programs in Charlestown for area school children has, for a second year, given hundreds of youngsters a unique waterfront and on-the-water life experience. Taking part in ERNESTINA's on board programs, these students, their teachers, administrators and many parents, found connections to core classroom subjects while making new discoveries regarding the waterfront, aquatic life, marine commerce and the extended Boston Harbor, from Charlestown out to the Harbor Islands.

School groups varied in age and background. Dearborne Middle Schoolers were first to arrive on Tuesday, May 14, for an underway program. For the next few days a parade of excited kids came to the ship at the Shipyard Quarters Marina. Shipyard Quarters extended every courtesy and accommodation to ERNESTINA and her crew throughout the Boston visit.

New Features for 1996 Program

New activities this year included connections to the far side of the Harbor with dockside and underway programs involving Hull Public School students. In fact, twenty-one Hull High School physics students, led by their teacher, Ann Marcks, sailed for an overnight program among the Harbor Islands, where they lowered ERNESTINA's dories for shore study and took turns through the night standing anchor watch The Boston Harbor Islands State Park, part of DEM's Division of Forests and Parks, represents a wonderful resource which Schooner ERNESTINA uses as often as possible during programming in the metro area.

Beantown PDPs

On Saturday, May 18, 9am-5pm, an in-service teacher training workshop was conducted underway with several schools represented. A boatload of Boston Latin pupils came aboard with math teacher Orlene Fingerman for an underway program the following day.

Charlestown Neighborhood Schools

Fifty elementary students walked to the ship from nearby Harvard-Kent School as did a like number of fourth graders from Warren-Prescott School. These Charlestown children, too young for ERNESTINA's underway programs, found themselves fully involved, however, in the schooner's various teaching stations during their dockside visits.

Reception At Shipyard Quarters Marina

As a salute to the sponsorship of the Boston Marine Society and the hospitality of the Shipyard Quarters Marina and other supporters in Charlestown , the Schooner ERNESTINA staff hosted an informal reception on board the vessel on Tuesday, May 21.

State Science Fair Winners

During two evening sails, the ERNESTINA hosted, again for the second year, the Mass. State Science Fair Winners' Sail. Arranged through Science Fair Director, Ellie Tischler, these events bring accomplished youngsters, often accompanied by their parents and/or teachers, from across the state to Charlestown for a most memorable evening.

Chelsea H.S. & South Boston H.S.

ERNESTINA's programs finished with underway programs for a group of forty students and teachers from South Boston High and a daysail with pupils from neighboring Chelsea High School.

Program Improving and Expanding

This year's program included new curriculum focusing on the fishing industry, comparative technologies and economics of the fisheries. This material was developed through the winter months in conjunction with education staff at the New Bedford Whaling Museum, the Curriculum Development Office of the New

Bedford Public Schools and other area educators through funding from the Island Foundation and the Mass. Dept. of Education (DOE).

Basic math, science and technology, as embodied in the design, construction and operation of the schooner, continues to be taught on board. The power of ERNESTINA's 102 years as a working vessel, ever present during these programs, overlays all technical teaching and learning with overtones of history and sociology.

Environmental and water quality concepts and issues are especially important to the schooner's teaching and learning when in Boston Harbor. This year the use of the Boston Harbor Islands as a resource gave a wider scope to the opportunities ERNESTINA can offer Boston area educators and their pupils

SCHOOLS SERVED

New Bedford Public Schools
Boston Public Schools
Hull Public Schools
Lawrence Public Schools
Provincetown Public Schools
Dennis-Yarmouth High School
Nauset High School
Harwich High School
Martha's Vineyard Public Schools
Nantucket Public Schools
Falmouth Public Schools
Sandwich High School

"T" for TOPSAILS!

ISTEA Funding to Complete Restoration

The Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District in Taunton has recommended a capital improvement project proposal submitted for state administered federal funding by Schooner ERNESTINA staff. The project will complete ongoing hull upgrading, fabricate and install topmasts and upper sails and provide for ADA approved gangways to improve access to the ship from Tonnessen Park. Work is slated for the fall

BAYS, SOUNDS, HARBORS & ESTUARIES

Mass. Environmental Trust Funds ERNESTINA's Next Curriculum Development

Consultants Alan Hankin, PhD, and Marshall Harris, interpretive designer, are working with Schooner ERNESTINA staff to inventory coastal educational resources, collate information and develop "An Expedition to the Water Planet," ERNESTINA's daysail educational program and interpretive display.

ERNESTINA sails from seaports all along the Massachusetts coast. Thanks to funding from the MET, Department of Education (PALMS) and Department of Environmental Management, daysail programs for schools and other groups can be tailored to the locality, connect with existing watershed curricula and offer information so that citizens can get more involved with local water related environmental issues. ERNESTINA sets sail to discover and explore the marine world and to understand its importance in our day to day shoreside lives.

TEACHER IN-SERVICE TRAINING

TEACHER WORKSHOPS OFFER PDPs

Schooner ERNESTINA is host to several in-service teacher training sessions as her educational outreach increases. Professional Development Points (PDPs) are being issued by Schooner ERNESTINA, as a DOE certified PDP provider, to participating colleagues.

Saturday, May 18, found the schooner underway in Boston Harbor for a full day program of multidiciplinary, hands-on activities for Boston area teachers. A similar 7-PDP day was provided S.E. Massachusetts educators on Saturday, June 22, sailing from ERNESTINA's home port, New Bedford. Shorter, after-school workshops took place dockside in Woods Hole (4-6pm, May 29, 2 PDP) for Falmouth faculty, dockside on Nantucket (10am-noon, June 8, 2 PDP) and underway (3-6:30pm, June 10, 3 PDP) for Martha's Vineyard staff and administrators

MASSACHUSETTS' OWN TALL SHIP

BAY STATE SUPPORT

Administrative, logistical and financial support for the Schooner ERNESTINA Commission, the schooner and her educational and public programs has come from many quarters within the government of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

DEM Tunes the Rig; Counts the Catch

The principal involvement and fiscal connection is with the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and its Dept. of Environmental Management (DEM). Within this agency many dedicated individuals have worked diligently to facilitate ERNESTINA's preservation and operation as an important cultural entity. Peter Webber, Commissioner of Environmental Management, also serves on the Schooner ERNESTINA Commission. DEM is charged with the care and oversight of our commonwealth's natural, cultural and historic resources.

Legislators Haul Away!

Elected officials have also put mighty efforts into the complicated and unending work of ERNESTINA project support. Representative Antonio Cabral and Sen. Mark Montigny have been at the forefront of legislative action on behalf of base funding. Other New Bedford legislators who have worked on behalf of ERNESTINA are Rep. Joseph McIntyre, Rep. Robert Koczera, Rep. John Quinn and Rep. William Straus.

In the region and across the state, supportive legislators include Sen. Bruce Tarr, Sen. Michael Morrissey, Sen. Henri Rauschenbach, Sen. Robert Durand, Sen. Therese Murray and Sen. Robert Hedlund. Additional interest and effort has come from the House from Rep. Thomas Cahir, Rep. Eric Turkington, Rep. Stephen Tobin, Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray and Rep. Barbara Gray.

Dept. of Education Helps Set the Course

The state Dept. of Education (DOE) both supports and uses Schooner ERNESTINA, encouraging and helping educators across the state to take advantage of the ship for both student programs and teacher recertification workshops. Commissioner of Education Robert Antonucci is also a member of the Schooner ERNESTINA Commission. He is represented in ERNESTINA matters by his designee, John Braman.

ERNESTINA: MOTT's *Ship of State*

The Mass. Office of Travel and Tourism (MOTT), under the leadership of Director Mary Jane McKenna, is another natural partner within the Commonwealth structure. MOTT's mission of promoting Massachusetts is well served by the historic vessel's presence along the coastline and in ERNESTINA's many ports of call. This season will find ERNESTINA a featured participant in the Nantucket Harborfest (June 8,9), the Lobsterfest in East Boston (July 3), Boston Harborfest and USS Constitution Turnaround Parade of Sail (July 4), Coastal Tall Ship Passage (Boston-New Bedford, July 5), Cape Verdean Independence Day in New Bedford (July 5), New Bedford's Summerfest (July 5,6), Fall River Celebrates America weekend (Aug. 9-11) and Gloucester Schooner Race weekend (Aug. 31-Sept.1).

DYS Participants Learn Ropes

The Dept. of Youth Services continues this year with highly successful three-day underway programs for teenage participants. This programming is a prime example of inter-agency cooperation where an efficient and effective match is found between users and providers within the Commonwealth network.

ERNESTINA Reception at State House

On May 16, an afternoon reception was hosted by Schooner ERNESTINA Commission and DEM in Nurse's Hall at the State House on Beacon Hill. In attendance were Undersecretary George Crombie of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, DEM Commissioner Peter Webber and Deputy Commissioner Peter Smith, Commissioner of Education Robert

Antonucci and Rep. Antonio Cabral of New Bedford.

The ERNESTINA info-video was shown along with historic footage from the Arctic exploration era and the ERNESTINA slide show which features remarkable photos of the Cape Verdean packet years. A special Schooner ERNESTINA cake was prepared and decorated for the occasion by New Bedford's Homelyke Bakeries.

COASTWIDE ACTIVITIES

Coalition for Buzzards Bay

Fall River Chamber of Commerce
Fall River Celebrates America Festival

Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce
Gloucester Schooner Race

Sons and Daughters of Nantucket
Viola Howard & Friends

MORE THAN BOATS & BUMPER CARS

N B Local Cultural Council Supports Giant Puppet Theater and Education for Summerfest

The New Bedford Local Cultural Council provided a grant for development and presentation of a series of activities during Summerfest in New Bedford that highlight the fishing industry, honor our maritime heritage and explore our marine world.

Just imagine a 102 year old Essex-built Grand Banks Fishing schooner and a 113 year old Portuguese barkentine (Gazela of Philadelphia), one of the last of the Portuguese fleet to fish on the Greenland Banks, alongside in New Bedford, the leading fishing port. Imagine rowing out into the harbor by authentic Lunenberg dory and experiencing a scene out of the 19th century. Now look across the slip and observe the whole evolution of fisheries technology from doryman to side dragger, stern dragger, scallop dredge and seiner.

Come ashore and explore underwater life around an aquarium on Schooner ERNESTINA and participate in hands-on activities with her educational staff. Visit a touch tank in the City of New Bedford's Waterfront visitors center in the Wharfinger Building (where the fish auction used to take place) and take a dockwalk tour of the waterfront with Ed Camara, director of the visitor's center.

Next take in the Miracle Fish Puppet Theatre for a new show with larger than life puppets that tells the story of three mariners, the captain, the cook and the fisherman, who overcome their rivalry as they work together as a team to solve a problem that they, together, face.

For those looking for some technical information, Bob Rocha of the Coalition for Buzzards Bay and Steve Correia of the MA Division of Marine Fisheries have made some informational brochures available.

Finally, if you'd like to find out what it is like to don a survival suit and swim out to a liferaft, join in the Survival Suit Race pulled together by Mike Yorston at West Marine and Jim Kendall, director of the New Bedford Seafood Coalition.

Miracle Fish Puppet Theatre and the other activities described were supported, in part, by a grant from the New Bedford Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council during the New Bedford Summerfest, July 4th through 7th, 1996.

THANK YOU

Program Grant Support

Island Foundation
Boston Marine Society
Mass. Dept. of Education
Mass. Dept. of Environmental Management
Mass. Environmental Trust
Mass. Dept. of Youth Services
Hildreth Stewart Charitable Foundation
New Bedford Local Cultural Council
Architectural Heritage Foundation
Wall Foundation
Community Foundation of Cape Cod

PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE

CAPE VERDEAN *CONNECTIONS*

For more than a decade and a half, ERNESTINA has been supported by the homeport Cape Verdean-American community. Past ERNESTINA Commissioners Joli Gonsalves, Julius H. Britto and Nick Fernandes, of Wareham, and present Commission Vice Chairman Carl Cruz have given literally years of work to the survival and development of the ERNESTINA and her programs. The ERNESTINA/MORRISSEY Historical Association, often meeting at the Cape Verdean Gardens, has marshaled remarkable resources of time, treasure and effort on behalf of ERNESTINA. Prominent Cape Verdean-American leadership in that organization has included Val Almeida, Debbie Clark, Toni DePina and many others, including some of the aforementioned.

This past year ERNESTINA was involved in the welcoming of President Monteiro to New England and helped celebrate the grand reopening of the new Cape Verdean Ultra-marine Band and Club.

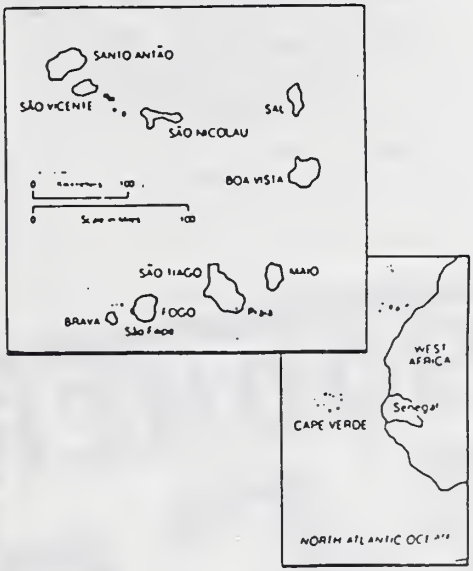
Springtime 1996 C.V. Regional Events

Schooner ERNESTINA staff participated in two major Cape Verdean cultural events this spring, sharing material about the ship's program and visiting with a great number of friends of ERNESTINA in Pawtucket and Boston.

Long-time ERNESTINA volunteer crew member Jose "Big Joe" Andrade, along with Waltraud "Traudi" Coli, manned an ERNESTINA booth at the gala dedication of the Cape Verdean-American Community Development building, on High St., in Pawtucket, RI, on Sunday, May 26. The following Saturday, June 1, *So Sabi: The 1996 New England Cape Verdean Folklife Festival*, took place at the Boston Center for the Arts where Schooner ERNESTINA was also represented by deckhand/anthropologist/linguist Coli and the *other* Joe Andrade, "Little Joe" from New Bedford, who for several years has been a regular member of ERNESTINA's professional crew. They showed the Schooner ERNESTINA info-video, and shared the good news about ERNESTINA's activities along the coast, from Mt. Hope Bay to Gloucester Harbor.

Visiting New Bedford in June, Lawrence Benedict, the newly appointed American ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, came aboard Schooner ERNESTINA, along with Cape Verdean dignitaries. His schooner stop was followed by a reception at the Merchant Mariners Club.

CAPE VERDE ISLANDS

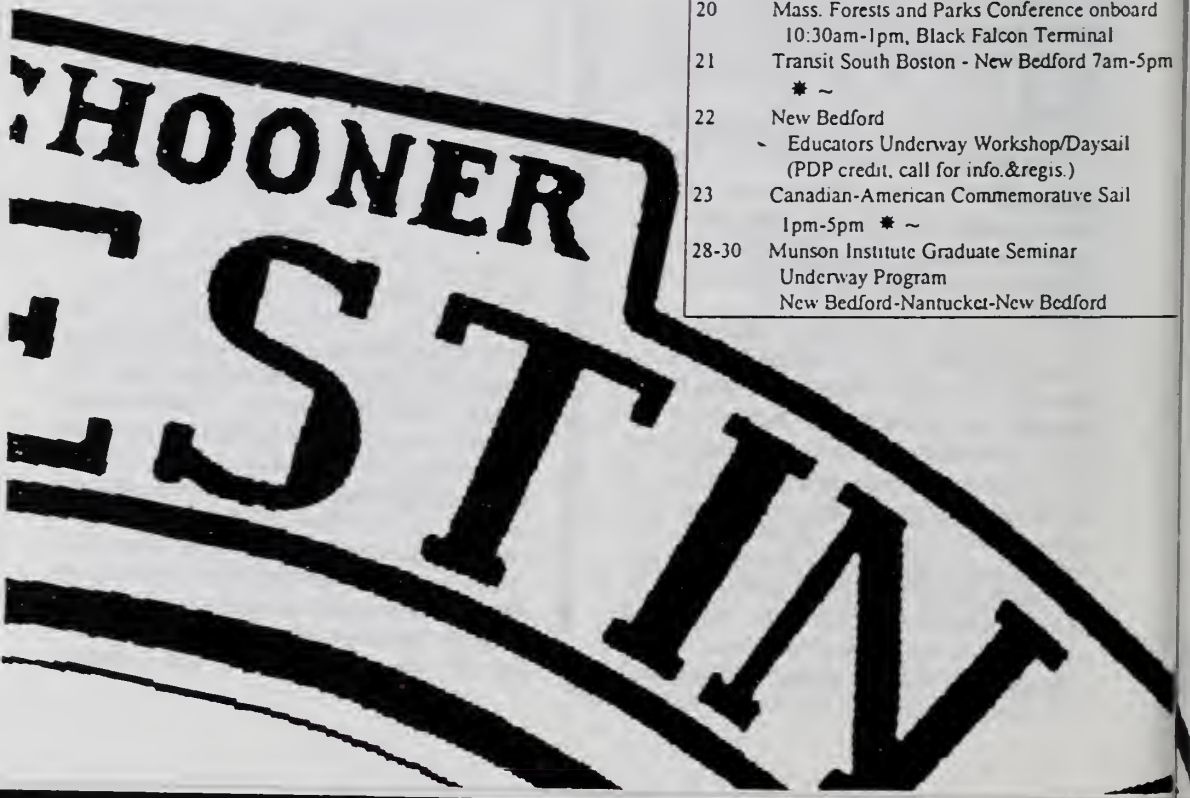


Cape Verdean Independence Day, July 5, will see Schooner ERNESTINA leading a parade of tall ships into New Bedford Harbor between 5pm and 6pm. As the host vessel, she will be flying the flags of the Republic of Cape Verde and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as well as Old Glory. With more and more Massachusetts citizens of all ages and backgrounds come to ERNESTINA to learn and discover, the proud and exciting story of Cape Verdean-American immigration and culture will be a central part of her teaching.

Schooner ERNESTINA ~ SCHEDULE ~

JUNE

1	Provincetown/Lower Cape Membership Day Schooner ERNESTINA Openhouse
3	Provincetown Middle School overnight sail
4	Provincetown Middle School overnight sail
5	Transit Provincetown -Nantucket, 6am-12noon ✱ ~ Member Sail Opportunity
6	Nantucket School Programs
7	Nantucket School Programs
9	Transit Nantucket to Martha's Vineyard ✱ ~
10	(AM) MV Elementary School Prog. (PM) MV Teachers Underway Workshop
11	Transit Vineyard Haven - New Bedford also MV Elem. Underway Prog.
15	Transit N.B. to Boston, 7am w/Westport H.S. Special Class ✱ ~
17	Gallop's Island/Boston Harbor Prog.
19	Seaport Council Reception onboard 4pm-7pm Black Falcon Terminal, South Boston
20	Mass. Forests and Parks Conference onboard 10:30am-1pm, Black Falcon Terminal
21	Transit South Boston - New Bedford 7am-5pm ✱ ~
22	New Bedford Educators Underway Workshop/Daysail (PDP credit, call for info.&regis.)
23	Canadian-American Commemorative Sail 1pm-5pm ✱ ~
28-30	Munson Institute Graduate Seminar Underway Program New Bedford-Nantucket-New Bedford



Schooner ERNESTINA ~ SCHEDULE ~

JULY

2	Transit New Bedford-East Boston, Pier 1 ✱ ~
3	Lobsterfest 3-10pm, East Boston, Pier 1 Evening Sail 5-7pm
4	USS Constitution Turn-around Sail, 9am-2pm Special Ticket Sail: $50
4-5	Coastal Sail July 4, 2pm - July 5, 7pm Sail in Company w/Bounty, Spirit of MA, Gazela; Bos-New Bedford. Special Ticket Sail: $85
5	Parade of Sail enters New Bedford harbor 5-6pm
6	New Bedford Summerfest
7	New Bedford Summerfest Blessing of the Fleet
9-11	DYS Underway Program
15-16	Transit N B - Boston, 12 noon departure ✱ ~
17-19	Lawrence Schools Programs Boston Harbor Islands
20	Transit Boston - Gloucester 9am-1pm ✱ ~
21	Sitzundjibers Charter, Gloucester-Boston
23	Beaver Country Day Summer Prog. 10am-2pm Transit Boston - New Bedford 2pm- 12midnight ✱ ~
24-26	DYS Underway Program
27	MEMBERSHIP SAIL, N.B. 1pm-5pm ✱ ~ and BBQ in Park 5pm-7pm a MOTT Canadian-American Sail, also, Martha Briggs Club group aboard following sail at 5pm cookout at Tonnessen Park: grills provided;BYO picnic,great time to meet crew, thank volunteers and many friends of ERNESTINA! call for info.
29-31	Sea Connections Summer Institute, underway 3 day marine & environmental science onboard program for educators

Schooner ERNESTINA ~ SCHEDULE ~

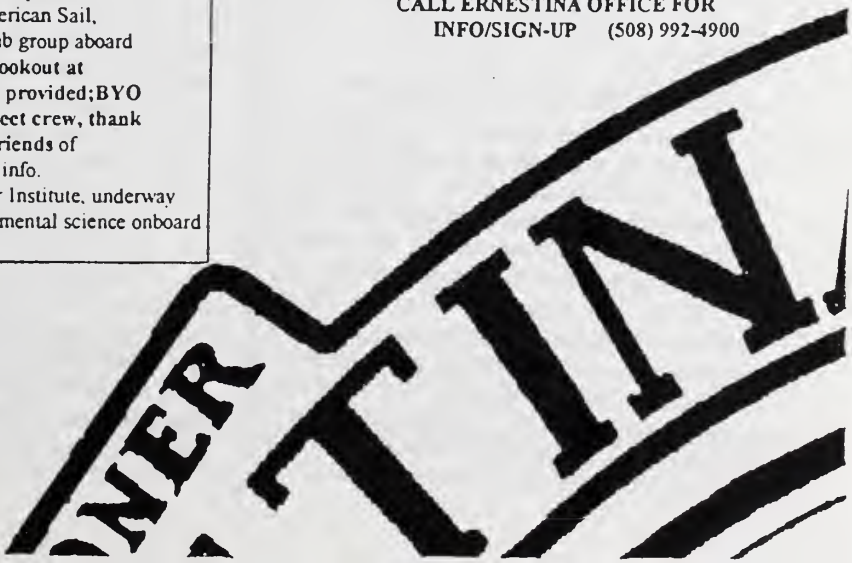
AUGUST

4	Transit New Bedford - Boston 8am-6pm ✱ ~
5	Wall foundation Daysail, 9am-5pm
6	Transit Boston-New Bedford 9am-7pm ✱ ~
9	Transit New Bedford-Fall River NB Scout Troop 52 aboard ✱ ~
10-11	Fall River Celebrates America Festival
11	Transit Fall River - New Bedford 1-9pm ✱ ~
12	Transit New Bedford - Woods Hole ✱ ~ 4pm-8pm
13	NCAA/ECAC Conference Daysail Woods Hole
13	Transit Woods Hole - New Bedford ✱ ~
14-16	DYS Underway Program
18-19	Wall Foundation Overnight Program
19-25	Urban Scholars Underway Program
25-30	Greens Farms School in company w/Schooner Harvey Gamage Transit Boston-Gloucester late PM ✱ ~
31	Canadian-American Commemorative Sail ✱ ~
31	Gloucester Schooner Race Weekend ✱ ~ call for ticket $ info for race day

✱ ~ MEMBER SAIL OPPORTUNITIES

Members may join the crew to sail on transits, no experience necessary, limited slots

CALL ERNESTINA OFFICE FOR INFO/SIGN-UP (508) 992-4900



FROM NAVY YARD TO STATE PIER

ERNESTINA LEADS TALL SHIPS TO SUMMERFEST

The holiday week saw Tall Ships in New Bedford for Summerfest after Independence Day festivities in Boston Harbor and a Boston-to-New Bedford coastal passage. Led by New Bedford's Schooner ERNESTINA, the Spirit of Massachusetts, HMS Bounty and Gazela of Philadelphia, sailed together in a series of activities that highlighted New England's maritime heritage, emphasized the importance of the seaports to the Commonwealth and attracted people to New Bedford and the Summerfest.

On July 4th, the fleet could be viewed from ashore at Castle Island in Boston participating in the annual Turn Around of the USS Constitution, along with USS Salem, a heavy cruiser, and the destroyer Cassin Young in a spectacular event to honor WWII veterans. Next the four Tall Ships sailed in company along the Massachusetts coast leaving Boston at 3pm in the afternoon of July 4th enroute to Plymouth to anchor for an evening of fireworks in Warren Cove at 9pm. The ships transited the Cape Cod Canal between 12noon and 2pm on Friday, July 5th. The coastal passage finished with the ships sailing into New Bedford Harbor at 7pm on July 5th. All four vessels docked for a weekend of tours and activities at State Pier in New Bedford.

Pulling Together for a Tall Ship Event

Under the leadership of the Summerfest Steering Committee chaired by Bill Kennedy, President and Publisher of the New Bedford Standard-Times, coordination by D.J. Walsh and Gregg Swanzey, co-chairs of the Waterfront Committee and overall festival management by Jim Mathes and Lisa Sughrue at the New Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce, the Tall Ship events were organized by the Schooner ERNESTINA office and staff, with funding through a grant from the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism. Sponsorship for the Tall Ship fleet was provided by Bank of Boston, St. Luke's Hospital, the Standard-Times, Teledyne Rodney Metals and Acushnet Rubber.

Meetings in Boston to coordinate the Constitution Turn Around were called by Commander Michael Beck of the USS Constitution and Bill Foley, Supervisor of Interpretation for Boston National Historical Park. The Boston Pilots, US Coast Guard Boston Group, Boston Tug and Tow and representatives of the Tall Ship flotilla, organized by Gregg Swanzey, Director of Schooner ERNESTINA made up the committee to arrange the logistics. Dockage in Boston was arranged through MassPort and in collaboration with the East Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Courageous Sailing Center.

Down the Coast ~ Through the Canal

The Transit through the Cape Cod Canal and the transfer of participants by pilot boat for the final leg of the Coastal passage to New Bedford was facilitated with critical assistance from Frank Ciccone, Engineer in Charge at Canal Control, the Army Corps of Engineers, Dave Romer, Director of Marine Operations and George Benoit at Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Ed Mathieu of Mathieu Marine in New Bedford and Larry Palmer of Northeast Marine Pilots.

The Schooner ERNESTINA came to dock at the Army Corps dock to board participants (among them Mayor Tierney of New Bedford) for the Parade of Sail. Others traveled from Massachusetts Maritime Academy by pilot boat to the other ships as they idled at "the Stakes" a staging area to the west of the Canal and further along in the west anchorage.

ERNESTINA Leads Fleet

The Tall Ships sailed through the harbor entrance at 7pm on July 5th, docking at State Pier for the weekend with Bounty and Gazela leading the way and ERNESTINA making her grand entrance under full sail along with Spirit of Massachusetts. The visit of the fleet in New Bedford Harbor was facilitated by the efforts of

Dave Rita, State Pier Manager, Marty Manley, Director of the Harbor Development Commission and Larry Chongarlides, New Bedford Harbor Master. Accommodation for the festival by businesses including Maritime Terminals, Portuguese American Lines, New Bedford Ship Supply, Pier Oil and the Fishing Fleet of New Bedford as well as the US Coast Guard Fleet based in New Bedford was important for success.

The captains of the ships, Jeff Stone, Schooner ERNESTINA, Ken Neal, Spirit of Massachusetts, Ann Cleaver, Gazela of Philadelphia and Robin Walbridge, HMS Bounty, worked together to welcome aboard a host of participants and visitors. The visiting crews from Boston (Spirit of Massachusetts), Fall River (HMS Bounty) and Philadelphia (Gazela) enjoyed the hospitality of Schooner ERNESTINA crew, staff and member/volunteers as well as the Summerfest team while in New Bedford.

THANK YOU

SUMMERFEST SUPPORT

The New Bedford Standard-Times
New Bedford Chamber of Commerce
St. Luke's Hospital
COM/Electric
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Newport Creamery
New Bedford Local Cultural Council
Mass. Office of Travel and Tourism

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THANK YOU

PROGRAM SUPPORT, DEVEL. and/or DELIVERY

Boston National Historical Park
Bill Foley & staff, Chalestown Navy Yard dockage

USS CONSTITUTION
Commander Michael Beck, Staff & Crew
Turn-around Sail Logistics/Hospitality

MassPort
Black Falcon Terminal & Pier No. 1, E. Boston

East Boston Chamber of Commerce
Harpoon's Festival on Boston Harbor -Hospitality/Logistics

***Shining Sea* Foundation**
Russ Tryder - Harpoon's Festival Logistics

Shipyard Quarters Marina, Charlestown
Boston Schools Programs Dockage/Hospitality

U.S.Army Corps of Engineers Cape Cod Canal
Frank Ciccone, Engineer in Charge

Northeast Marine Pilots
Capt. Larry Palmer/Coastal Sail Accommodations

Mass. Maritime Academy
Dr. Peter Mitchell, President, Capt. Dave Romer, Capt. George Benoit, Capt. Rick Gurnan

Ed Mathieu ~ Mathieu Marine, Inc.
Dockage/Logistics

Woods Hole Oceanographic Inst.
Dockage/Logistics

Seaport Advisory Council
Rick Armstrong, Director

Nantucket Boat Basin
Dockage/Hospitality

MacMillan Wharf, Provincetown
Barry Clifford & Staff ~ Dockage/Hospitality

Pemberton Pier, Hull

Packer Marine, Inc., Vineyard Haven
Dockage/Hospitality

From the Aft Cabin....

Schooner ERNESTINA is "under a full press of canvas" with support from agencies of the Commonwealth, local legislative delegation, Mayor Tierney and the City of New Bedford and both public and private foundations as well as a growing membership. Some highlights of her support follow:

- **MA Environmental Trust** funds curriculum development and interpretive display ($14,500)
- **Department of Education** funds curriculum development and Summer Institute aboard ERNESTINA ($45,000)
- ISTEA (Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act) funding through SRPEDD will complete ERNESTINA's restoration with hull work, topmasts and four more sails aloft along with ADA approved gangways next fall ($125,000)
- **City of New Bedford** and **Mayor Tierney** supports ERNESTINA as coastwide ambassador, cultural resource, local attraction and educator ($10,000)
- **Department of Youth Services** to use ship for two and three day programs throughout the year beginning July '96 ($60,000)
- **Standard-Times** sponsors ERNESTINA during Summerfest
- **New Bedford Local Cultural Council** and **Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism** help build a great Summerfest with development support ($2,581 & $5,000)
- **New Bedford Schools** help build dockside program, Cape Verdean curriculum and professional development for teachers
- **UMASS Boston and Urban Scholars** program will utilize ship for coastal passage in late August
- **Rep. Tony Cabral** introduces legislation for historic vessels license plate and ERNESTINA line item in state budget
- **Sen. Mark Montigny** helps secure earmarked funding for ERNESTINA in state budget and advocates for Department of Youth Services programming
- **Dept. of Environmental Management** serves as good home for the ship providing administrative oversight in partnership with the Commission and core funding for operations
- ERNESTINA relies on help from **businesses, donors and a growing membership** program.

ERNESTINA survives only with a broad base of support. And fundraisers know that the key to fundraising is to start from the center and work outward. We applaud the public support and those individuals who have consistantly been there with donations and volunteer effort as ERNESTINA has grown. This is the foundation and the core that allows us to stretch!

Respectfully,
Gregg Swanzey, Director

Join ERNESTINA now by selecting a membership option starting at $25(subscribing) or consider a $40 sailing membership that allows you to take advantage of many opportunities to experience coastal Massachusetts aboard an historic schooner! ERNESTINA has been a best kept secret —— her gangway is now open to all!

MUSICAL & ARTISTIC FRIENDS

Jim and Cindy Bean & *The Beans*

Lenny Cabral

Story Teller Extraordinaire

Woods Hole Percussion

World Drumming

Dave and Cindy Peloquin & *Wickford Express*

Dan Lanier, Jacek Sulanowski & *The Rum Soaked Crooks*

Miracle Fish Puppet Theater

Vinnie Lovegrove & Friends

MEMBER/VOLUNTEERS:

The *Rest* of the Crew ...

Member/volunteers involved in the operation and maintenance of Schooner ERNESTINA have been a steady source of support. Interested ERNESTINA member/volunteers are present and active on virtually every transit and on many educational program days during the busy spring and summer. This kind of personal support is all-important as ERNESTINA expands and thrives as a public resource ~ people helping through membership contributions then stepping into the scene and investing a bit of themselves in the development of this wonderful project. Keep your eyes on the Newsletter for member/volunteer opportunities and ~ "step aboard!"

Marty Casey, ERNESTINA's off-season bo'sun, was steadfast in giving the ship periodic attention as she lay dockside over this snowy winter. Aaron Macedo, a member of the professional ERNESTINA staff during the sailing season, but a donor of many volunteer hours in the off-months, likewise made sure lines were tended and pumps were run when need be. Mary Walsh lent a hand on office tasks and Scout Troop 52 put in some time and elbow grease. (On August 9 the Scouts will spend the day sailing ERNESTINA to the Fall River Celebrates America Festival!)

Steve Swift shipped on as a long-term volunteer deckhand/teacher this spring. Bob Marchand, recovering from a recent accident, is expected back later this season. Bob gave much effort, time and talent last year and we look forward to his return! Ken Cabral has been onboard in 1995 and this season as a professional crew member (Galley Commander), but he is also coordinating, on a volunteer basis, the interests and energies of ERNESTINA's artistic friends. This task involves communicating with interested artists and musicians, pursuing arts funding and coordinating ERNESTINA's arts activities with arts communities at the schooner's various ports of call.

Shoreside, Louise and Joe Andrade continue to support schooner activities during festival and dockside events We look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday, July 27, for a Membership Sail day (1pm-5pm) and/or Membership BBQ at Tonnessen Park in New Bedford (5pm-7pm). Grills will be provided; BYO picnic. This event is a chance for members to meet crew, other members and friends of ERNESTINA ~ and a great opportunity for all of us to invite new people to take advantage ERNESTINA membership!

Schooner ERNESTINA's

THANK YOU

~ List ~

Numerous individuals and institutions have helped support Schooner ERNESTINA this season. In each Newsletter we include a Thank You listing, hoping eventually to salute all who have assisted in so many ways!

IN HOMEPORT OF NEW BEDFORD

City of New Bedford
Mayor Rosemary Tierney
Ed Camara, Dir.,Waterfront Visitor's Center

N.B. Regional Vocational Technical High School
Ralph Dlouhy & Sylvestre Silva and crew
shipwright/ woodworking

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Tonnessen Park & Community Support

Val Almeida at the Verdean Gardens
Community Support

C.V. Ultra-Marine Band Club
Community Support

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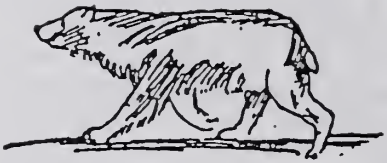
Bob Cooke, Emily Johns & Friends
Keepers of State Pier Botanical Gardens

MA Div. of Marine Fisheries
Steve Correia
Gear and Good Council

Jack Saunders and the crew at Pier Oil, NB
great neighbors!



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ERNESTINA'S YESTERYEARS

1996 EXPEDITION TO RETRACE TRACK OF 1927!

by Sheldon Bart, Expedition Leader

Some sixty-nine years ago, when known as the EFFIE M. MORRISSEY, the Schooner ERNESTINA embarked from New York under command of Captain Bob Bartlett for Baffin Island, the northernmost part of North America. This was Bartlett's' second voyage of Arctic exploration on the MORRISSEY. In 1926, he had skippered the Putnam Arctic Expedition to northwest Greenland. The leader of that expedition was the New York publisher George Palmer Putnam, the future husband of Amelia Earhart. The following year - 1927 - when Lindbergh flew the Atlantic and Babe Ruth hit 60 home runs, Putnam organized a follow-up effort to southwest Baffin Island, a region then considered terra incognita by Anglo-American geographers.

Laurence McKinley Gould, who would become Admiral Byrd's second-in-command on the Byrd Antarctic Expedition of 1928-29, was Putnam's second-in-command. Larry Gould is remembered today not only as a great polar explorer, but as the revered President of Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, and as the father of the International Geophysical Year, the 1950's treaty which facilitated scientific research in Antarctica.

The major achievement of the Putnam Baffin Island Expedition was the exploration of the southwest coastline of "Baffin Land." This was accomplished by Putnam, Gould and five other members of the party who piled into an open whaleboat and cruised along the uncharted coastline for the better part of a month. The rather large body of water they navigated - now Bowman Bay - had previously been mapped as part of the mainland.

Putnam encountered several unique geographical features in the course of the whaleboat journey - mesas and canyons that reminded him of the American Southwest. He named them in honor of Gould, Bartlett and other celebrated explorers of the 1920s, including Roy Chapman Andrews and James L. Clark of the American Museum of Natural History, and William Beebe of the New York Zoological Society.

It was a grand salute to the extraordinary people who played a leading role in a remarkable era of adventure and accomplishment.

Much of what was discovered has never been mapped, the place-names have never been made official, the history has been all but forgotten.

This summer, a new expedition will return to the Putnam Highland [with modern vessels and attendant technology!]. Our objective is to put those "lost" features on the map and pick up the geographical and geological research where the Putnam Baffin Island Expedition left off. We're going to use satellite technology - the Global Positioning System - to complete the work Putnam and Gould began, thereby linking the last Golden Age of exploration with the modern era.

And we're going to kick off our expedition in the most appropriate way - with an afternoon sail on Schooner ERNESTINA, the ship that brought the Putnam expedition safely through the ice pack seven decades ago.

~ Sheldon Bart, May, 1996

PLEASE NOTE: Sheldon Bart was aboard ERNESTINA speaking on his Expedition plans during the first of ERNESTINA's Canadian-American Commemorative Sail Series (see article). This took place on Sunday, June 23, 1-5pm, from New Bedford. A second Can-Am Sail will take place on Sun., Aug. 27, and will feature the showing of historic film footage of the original expedition. Call the ERNESTINA office (508)992-4900 for info. and registration.

GOOD FINANCIAL NEWS

More of Membership Dues Are Now Tax Deductible!

IRS regulations require that the donee organiozation supply a statement to the donor estimating the value of any goods or services provided for contributions of $75 or more. It has been determined that the rights and privileges that members may excecise frequently during the membership period, such as free admission to a museum or reduced fare sailing experiences, may be fulloy tax deductible if they are given as part of an annual membership offered in return for payment of $75 or less. The value of membership privileges above $75, such as the framed *Eldridge* print plus reduced guest passages can not be deducted.

In light of these regulations, please use this information regarding that amount of your ERNESTINA contributions that are tax deductible:

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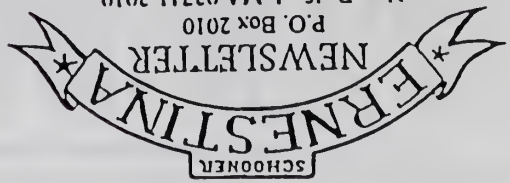

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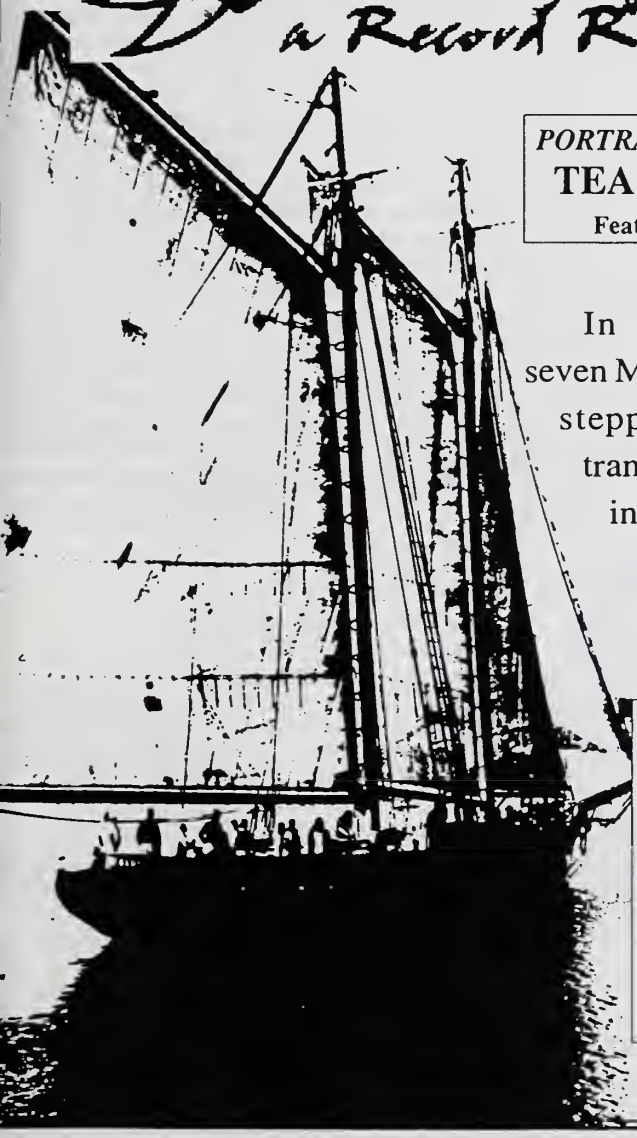

PORTRAITS of a PORT

TEACHER INSTITUTE

Features New Bedford & Ernestina

In mid-August twenty seven Massachusetts educators stepped back in time as trans-Atlantic immigrants in "Portraits of a Port ~ New Bedford 1847-1947," a

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The Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission is a nine member agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts enabled by legislation found in Chapter 6 of the General Laws signed by Governor William Weld January 13,1994. The Commission is placed in the Department of Environmental Management and includes designees of Commissioner Peter Webber of DEM, Commissioner Robert Antonucci of the Department of Education and Ms. Mary Jane McKenna, Director of Office of Travel and Tourism and six other residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The commissioners are appointed by the governor to govern the operation of the U.S. Coast Guard inspected 156' gaff rigged Grand Banks fishing Schooner

Letter from the Director

Schooner Ernestina sails into her 104th year after a full season of education and outreach in 1997. The articles in this newsletter describe some of the activities in detail. However, perhaps the most important accomplishment we have had is the increase in partnership and linkage for programs and other capacity-building initiatives. The New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park and Boston Harbor Islands National Recreational Area are newly authorized parks in the National Park system and 'new' Parks in function for they are based on community involvement and a partnership of organizations, agencies and citizens both within and adjacent to the designated areas of the Parks. We are identified in the New Bedford Park legislation and have a natural connection to the Harbor Islands through DEM. Programs link seaport parks together throughout Massachusetts and stretch as far as Connecticut and New York for regional connections. We are founding members of a new environmental education alliance in Southeastern Massachusetts under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts. We collaborate with others for our Summer Content Institutes for teachers. We link other organizations on the World Wide Web through our award winning web site. We work jointly with schooner based educational programs such as the the Schooner Advenure in Gloucester, the Harvey Gamage Foundation in Cornwall, NY and the Spirit of Massachusetts in Boston. HM Bark Endeavour, replica of Capt. James Cook's famous 18th century explorer from Australia, will visit New Bedford in late August with Ernestina as host. All these activities serve to raise awareness both nationally and internationally for the rich resources and heritage of coastal Massachusetts.

Programs and activities undertaken by the Schooner Ernestina have succeeded only because of the high level of dedication and skill of the staff, interns and volunteers. In fact, it is difficult to call our volunteers and interns anything other than staff since their level of commitment and impact on programs is so strong. Likewise, we offer heartfelt thanks to the financial supporters of Schooner Ernestina, in whatever amounts. Membership is crucial for Ernestina's success. We sincerely appreciate the extra generocity of our Shipmate and 2nd Century donors. The Boston Marine Society and Island Foundation together have provided annual support that enabled almost 5,000 school children to benefit from Ernestina's programs and experience our seaports and coastal waters during the past three years. Our homeport city of New Bedford covered publishing costs for our curriculum guides and, thanks to the efforts of Senator Mark Montigny and Representative Tony Cabral, Ernestina received core operational funding in the State Budget. With this crucial support as our platform, we look forward to more and larger steps in the coming year. ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

ERNESTINA WEB SITE: Finalist for MIMC Award

Boston, MA - Aug 12, 1997

Schooner Ernestina's Web Site, *An Expedition of Discovery*, developed by Swanzey and Associates of Beverly Farms, MA has been selected as a finalist in the Non-Profit category for the 1997 MA Interactive Media Council (MIMIC) Awards. The awards are the only competition recognizing leading-edge internet and multimedia applications and enabling technologies designed, produced or developed in New England. With a total of 26 finalists in 8 categories, winners were announced on August 12 at an awards ceremony held in conjunction with the DCI Internet Expo at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston.

Recommended by THE HISTORY CHANNEL

Entries were judged by an impressive showing of industry leaders with experience in the field of interactive media, including business professionals, academics, publishers and distributors, and technological developers. "We received 75 percent more entries this year and the caliber of work was just outstanding," said Cory Brown of the Multimedia Group, a co-chair of the 1997 MIMC Awards.

Sponsors of the 1997 MIMC Awards include Fleet Bank High Technology Group, Eastman Kodak, Apple Computer, Acme Digital Lab, Coopers & Lyband, MacTemps, Strategic Interactive Group, Peabody & Brown, Weber Public Relations Worldwide, Thunder House and OAK.

MIMC is an industry networking, education and advocacy organization founded in 1995 to assist in building the interactive media industry and to help

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SEA CONNECTIONS: Teachers on Expedition

Stellwagen Bank - Aug 1997

Whales were leaping through the air and landing with explosive force on the waters over Stellwagen Bank while a group of eighteen teachers, participants of Sea Connections II Summer Content Institute, studied the marine environment from the deck ~and dories~ of the Schooner Ernestina. A ten day program of exploration and education, Sea Connections II is one of the Massachusetts Department of Education National Science Foundation funded PALMS (Partnership Advancing the Learning of Math and Science) Summer Content Institute developed in collaboration with the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth and the Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies. Alan Lee Hankin, Ph.D. of Hankin Environmental and Educational Services of Dartmouth is Project Director. The project, now in its second year, is administered by the Schooner Ernestina

Commission. Last year's program aboard the Schooner Ernestina received the highest overall rating in the state's evaluation of twenty two Science Content Institutes offered across the state

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CATALOGUE FOR PHILANTHROPY

Boston - Nov 1997

There has been concern for some time among philanthropists that charitable giving needs strengthening in New England. It turns out that all the New England states rank in the lowest 30% when compared to other states. This past June the Boston-based Philanthropic Initiative (TPI) published a national survey on promoting philanthropy that called for new practical ideas. The Ellis L. Phillips Foundation took up the challenge with a unique solution: A Catalogue for Philanthropy.

Schooner Ernestina responded to the RFP through the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts along with 414 other charities and was accepted for inclusion in the catalogue! The catalogue includes 79 other organizations and appeared in 300,000 homes in November and December.

As a special benefit of inclusion in the Catalogue, Schooner Ernestina is listed as a partner on the Associated Grantsmakers of Massachusetts web site at http://www.agmconnect.org/. Take a look ~ the site offers great information for organizations and donors alike. The catalogue is on the web at http://www.agmconnect.org/catalog.html #

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fuel industry members growth as a powerful economic engine for Massachusetts. MIMC founders and members include the region's foremost creative talent, service providers, business professionals, entrepreneurs and other industry leaders and supporters.

Eric Swanzey, brother of Ernestina's director Gregg Swanzey, donated his time and expertise to produce the web site and continues to feed in updates to schedule and special events on a regular basis. ⌘

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ton, Roxbury and others. This year programs originated from MassPort's historic Fish Pier and the world-class New England Aquarium. Today, as the Boston Harbor Island National Recreational Area becomes a reality, experiences for young people in our coastal environment become important elements in their educational experience.

The prestigious Boston Marine Society, based in Charlestown, is the oldest such organization in the world and has been a loyal supporter of Ernestina's educational and public programs during the past three years.

Programs for the Cape

For the second consecutive year, the Community Foundation of Cape Cod has partially funded programs to primary and secondary schools on the Upper and Lower Cape. Youngsters from Falmouth, Sandwich, Yarmouth, Dennis, Chatham, Harwich, Orleans, Nauset and Provincetown participated in structured educational programs aboard Schooner Ernestina ranging from two-hour dockside programs with fourth graders to full daysails with secondary science students. One group sailed overnight from MA Maritime Academy to Provincetown and on to Boston! Businesses that helped provide sponsorship for these programs originating in Buzzards Bay, Woods Hole, Onset and Provincetown include Bill Black Agency, Parker Boat Yard, Inc., Ocean Spray, Preferred Home Services, Inc. and Preferred Home Care, Inc. ⌘

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Elementary, middle and high school teachers from sixteen commmunities including Fall River, Lakeville, Sandwich, Cambridge, Barre, Springfield, Wilbraham, Apponequett and Revere participated with seven other communities in the program designed to improve the quality of their marine environmental science instruction. Linked to the recently adopted state Curriculum Frameworks in Math and Science and Technology, the state Benchmarks for Environmental Literacy and current classroom needs, teachers learn both content and technique in an inquiry-based problem solving manner.

Land based instruction included work with Nancy O'Connor, Ph.D., professor and researcher at UMASS Dartmouth, investigating the exotic Japanese green crab that has been increasing in New England waters. Dr. O'Connor helped teachers learn how to formulate and answer scientific questions. In order to teach and learn science it is important to think like a scientist. As one participant noted,"It will be helpful in class to have students ask questions that are observable and measurable."

Teachers explored the salt marshes and estuaries around the Lloyd Center with Drs. Hankin and O'Connor working with Lloyd Center education coordinator Trish Sheppard and Research Assistant, John Hill, Jr. Asked to imagine themselves as the first explorers of the area, they collected jelly fish, oyster toadfish, clams, blue crabs and plants in the waters of the Slocum River and Allens Pond near the Lloyd Center.

Teachers boarded Schooner Ernestina in Fall River, and after an orientation, sailed out Mt. Hope Bay and Narragansett Bays to anchor for the evening off Padanaram. The following morning teachers began collecting and testing water samples, using an otter trawl to sample fish, a scallop dredge for bottom dwelling animals and setting out various traps for animals in the water column.

The ship sailed on through Buzzards Bay, through the Cape Cod Canal during the pre-dawn hours and viewed a five foot long leatherbach turtle while sailing north in Cape Cod Bay. By early morning Ernestina was on Stellwagen Bank viewing humpback and minke whales in every direction accompanied by sea birds including shearwaters and petrels, species that come to shore only briefly to lay eggs and raise their young. Along with the full time Ernestina staff sailed Margaret Brumsted, a Dartmouth High School teacher and seasoned veteran with research experience with NOAA as "Teacher at Sea" investigating yellow fin tuna fishery, Sea Education Association aboard R/V Westward and Phillips Academy's Oceans program aboard R/V Sarah Abbott.

Year-round support for teachers as they implement course materials developed for use in their classroom is available from Hankin Environmental and Educational Services as part of the grant. In addition, Ernestina staff are actively searching for funding to underwrite a portion of the program costs for the participating teachers and their classes to get out on Ernestina together in order to reinforce and extend the impact of the Institute.

For additional information on Sea Connections contact Alan Lee Hankin at 508-993-4176. For educational program or membership information contact the Schooner Ernestina office at 508-992-4900. ⌘

~Calendar of Events~

February~March~April

Monday, Jan 26
Kickoff Celebration of the MA State Forests and Parks System Centennial.
Commissioner Peter Webber and special guest Henry David Thoreau. 1998 is the Year of the States Forests and Parks 11-2 The Great Hall, The State House, Beacon Hill in Boston.

Saturday, Feb 7
1-3:30pm **Polar Bear Tales**
Co-sponsored with the New Bedford Whaling Museum. Free with admission to museum, donation for refreshments
4-5pm **Bill Harley** is one of America's finest family performers with stories and songs for everyone. $7 per seat, $20 family pass (immediate family limit) See page 4 for more details.

April 17 & 23
Cape Verdean Film Festival
"Whaling" Whaling Museum co-sponsored with the New Bedford Historical Society. Call Ron Barboza at 996-3411, evenings. Whaling Museum members free, non-members $5

April 26
Earth Day at Tonnessen Park Parade at 12noon from Wings Court to Tonnessen Park Activities and info at the YMCA 1-4pm.

April 27
Sailing Season Starts
Transit New Bedford to Boston 7am-7pm

April 27-May 1
Programs for the Boston Schools

May

1 Boston Public Schools

2 **Transit Boston to New Bedford 7am-9pm**

3 **Maritime Heritage Day** 12-4 co-sponsored by the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, Whaling Museum & Ernestina John Roberts & Tony Barrand with The Beans. For more information, call Laura at 508-997-0046 x14..
Afternoon Member Sail 4-7
free to members, $35 for non-members See page 11 for more details.

4-7 New Bedford Schools

8 **Transit New Bedford to Boston 7am-9pm**

9 **Transit Boston to Provincetown 9am-5pm, free to members, $35 for non-members**

10 Open Ship 12-3 Provincetown

11 **Transit Provincetown to Onset 10am-3pm, free to members, $35 for non-members**

12-15 Cape Cod School programs from MA Maritme Academy

16 **Transit Onset to New Bedford 9am-1pm, free to members, $35 for non-members**

17 New Bedford Whaling National Park Commissioning

18-20 New Bedford Schools

21 **Transit New Bedford to New York City**

22-24 Rockland County, NY Bi-Centennial

25 **Transit Haverstraw, NY to Mystic, CT**

26-29 Tyngsboro HS Trip, Mystic to Boston

** Denotes Member Sail Opportunity**

NEW PROGRAMS THIS YEAR

Elderhostel
If you are over 55 and interested in the great programs Elderhostel has to offer, you will find Schooner Ernestina appearing in the spring and summer catalogues with six day sails connecting historic seaports of Massachusetts. Programs are June 7-13 & July 12-18. Write to Elderhostel at 75 Federal Street, Boston, MA 02110-1941 or call 617-426-8056.

UMASS Boston Continuing Ed
A two-week program will connect many of the working seapons of the Commonwealth and include on-island studies at the UMASS research facility on Nantucket. Students are aboard Ernestina June 14-20. This college level course is offered for six credit hours. Call 617-287-7915 for details.

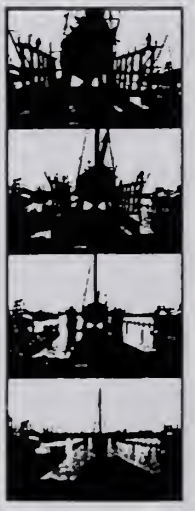
New England Aquarium
Collaborative programs originating at the New England Aquarium will explore the marine world on display at the Aquarium as well as out on Boston Harbor amongst the Harbor Islands and beyond aboard Ernestina. For the Summer Discovery Programs and a four day "Schooner Adventure" on Ernestina call 617-973-5206 for info and registration.

Visiting Tall Ship Program
HM Bark Endeavour will visit New Bedford August 28 through September 7, 1998. The Endeavour is an Australian replica of the famous Capt. James Cook's ship that experimented with cutting edge navigation technology in the mid-1700s. Schooner Ernestina is host.

Munson Institute Seminar
We'll be sending out a flier soon describing a six week Institute with Munson Institute at Mystic Seapon that includes an exploration of the Massachusetts coast July 9-11 from New Bedford to Salem. This is a graduate course in Maritime History with a Sea Voyage and Field Seminars. The trip ends at the Salem Maritime Festival. Call 860-572-5359 for more details

ISTEA FUNDS RESTORE Ernestina's Hull & Send Topmasts Aloft

This spring the Schooner Ernestina received a $125,000 federal grant authorized by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA). This grant, received through the Transportation Enhancement Program administered by the Massachusetts Highway Department, enabled the Schooner Ernestina to complete extensive plank replacement on the hull and remove a 3/16" fiberglass sheathing installed in Mindelo, Cape Verde in the late 70's. The work was completed in April at D.N. Kelley and Son Shipyard in Fairhaven by Tony Marques and his fast and able crew of shipwrights and caulkers. The grant also included the fabrication and installation of two forty-six foot topmasts and three new topsails not regularly flown on Ernestina since the 1920's. The topmasts, fabricated by Leon Poindexter early this summer and installed by the crew, were in time for the USS Constitution's historic sail in late July. The main topmast extends the Ernestina's overall mast height to 121' and supports upper sails that increase her wind catching capacity by 37%.



The grant also provided funds for the purchase of two gangways for safer access onto and off the ship from Tonnessen Park in New Bedford and

New Alliance Formed for the Environment

Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance of Southeastern M chusetts (SEEAL), a new environmental education umbrella organization has formed under the auspices of the Community Foundation of S eastern Massachusetts. Thanks to a grant received by the Fou tion from the Massachusetts Environmental Trust and the I Foundation as well as the Henry H. Crapo Foundation and Pola $35,000 will support activities by the SEEAL members in the year. Plans call for the development of a comprehensive s activities designed to promote environmental awareness sustainability.

SEEAL colaborators include Coalition for Buzzards (CBB), Westport River Watershed Alliance (WRWA), Lloyd ter for Environmental Studies (LC), Children's Museum Dartmouth (CM), New Bedford Whaling Museum (NBWM), Scouts of America, New Bedford Public Schools, Waterfront Historic League, the Buzzrds Bay Garden Club and Scho Ernestina Commission. Membership in SEEAL is open to organization committed to the mission: *to encourage environm tal awareness and stewardship in Southeastern Massachusetts.*

SEEAL's first project was a lecture at the New Bedford Whaling Mus in late September by Carol Pesch from EPA entitled "Cumulative Ecological fects on New Bedford Harbor: Historical Connections" with a workshop un way on board the Schooner Ernestina for junior high school teachers.

SEEAL's first year plans also include the introduction Watershed Education Program (WEP) kits developed by WR into specific classes in the Hayden McFadden School in N Bedford designed to complement existing school ccurriculum wit the watershed with support from WRWA and CBB. WEP incor rates the philosophies of PALMS and recommendations of the M sachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in Science and Technolo into a series of kits, teacher guides, in-service workshops and fi studies tailored to each grade from K through 8. SEEAL will of field trips for students in grade 5 from Hayden McFadden to t Lloyd Center program. For high school level activities, the aft school Global Awareness Club and Outdoors Club will be involv in a saltmarsh trail and pond reclamation project at the Childre Museum and a full day sail into Buzzards Bay on Schoon Ernestina. High school science classes will explore Buzzards B using Ernestina's *Expedition to the Water Planet* underway educ tional program.

A Business Plan is currently under construction for SEEAL strategy as an alliance of partners for funding on a larger scale support a comprehensive set of activities.

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SEEAL doesn't have a logo....If you have graphic art skil and an interest in the environment then we have a job for yo Artists, designers and other interested participants are invited to promote SEEA mission by designing a logo which will visually compliment and promote an u derstanding of SEEAL for alliance use. The winner of the logo contest w receive $500 upon receipt of cameral ready art work. Call Mary Rapoza at 50 993-3363 or Gail Gillespie at 508-636-3016 for

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Grants Bring Programs to the Schools

Coastal Massachusetts 1997

Programming aboard Ernestina has been successful this year thanks to underwriting support from funders that care about educating our young people and building capacity in the community. Grants are continually needed to fulfill Ernestina's educational mission and create a crucial partnership with the schools.

Programs for New Bedford

"Working on the Water," developed in 1996 though grants from the Marion-based Island Foundation and the Massachusetts Department of Education, is a dockside, hands-on technology/history program presented under the auspices of the New Bedford Public Schools and the local Partnership Advancing the Learning of Math and Science (PALMS) leadership team. It is produced and hosted jointly by the education staff of Schooner Ernestina and the New Bedford Whaling Museum. Thanks to a grant from the Island Foundation again in 1997, the program was offered in the spring and fall to over 950 4th grade students. Many thanks go out to Polly Zajac for her pre-trip visit to the classrooms prior to the fall programs.

Programs for Boston

This spring in Boston, two weeks of educational programs were underwritten by the Boston Marine Society and athe Massachusetts Department of Education serving the communities of Charlestown, Chelsea, Hull, South Bos-

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NATIONAL PARK Sails into New Bedford

In October 1996 Congress ratified and President Clinton signed a bill authorizing the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park. Schooner Ernestina is specifically named in the legislation as part of the Park. The authorization came too late for budgeted funding in 1997 but that hasn't stopped the planning process currently underway in New Bedford. Local organizations have been meeting with the National Park Service to offer input inot the Master Plan for the Park and to envision the changing face of Historic New Bedford.

Ernestina will ultimately be able to access up to $50,000 in 4 to 1 matching funding in cooperative agreements with the National Park Service for programs offered as a partner in the Park. Ernestina staff have traveled to observe programs at Lowell and Charlestown Navy Yard and have been testing some ideas that will take advantage of Ernestina's unique ability to link Parks over the water as well as connect people to a real maritime experience on a ship heavily laden with a well documented history. ⌘

ERNESTINA Exchan Canon Salute with USS CONSTITUTIC

Salem, MA - Sunday, Ju

Ernestina sailed from the S Maritime National Historic Site b vitation from the Salem Partnershi a welcome salute to "Old Ironsi while standing in for the Friendsh three masted East Indiaman merc sailing ship replica under construc in Albany, NY. Under blue skies a good wind, one hundred persons ab Ernestina sailed from Salem's Ce Wharf to meet the Constitution anc change a traditional cannon sal Ernestina came to a position at mouth of the Marblehead Harbor readied two cannons brought aboar local businessman, Dan McDougal

The exchange between histo

ships made manifest the breadth maritime experience that shap America namely USS Constitution, t most famous Naval vessel in existenc Friendship, the soon to be complete replica of the East India merchantm that opened trade to the Far East, ar Ernestina ex-Effie M. Morrissey, t Gloucester fisherman, Arctic explor tion vessel and Cape Verdean trans-A lantic packet. ⌘

SEEAL LOGO CONTEST

The Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance of MA is hosting a contest with a $500 prize. Deadline March 31, 1998 See page 6 for more details

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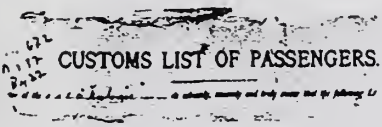
history/social sciences Summer Content Institute organized and offered by the New Bedford Whaling Museum in partnership with the Schooner Ernestina Commission.

The institute was sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Education as one of 36 professional development institutes held throughout the Commonwealth last summer.

A principle goal of the Institute was to introduce educators to primary historical sources and professionals in the fields of historical research, preservation, economics and sociology while implementing the newly approved Curriculum Frameworks in History and Social Science.

The Institute provided a powerful combination of individual teaching talents, historical sites, artifacts and collections along with experiential, hands-on, interdisciplinary learning. New Bedford Whaling Museum staff members Dr. Lee Heald, Deputy Director of Programs, Judith Downey, Chief Librarian, Richard Kugler, Director Emeritus and Patricia Altshculler, Education Coordinator lead lessons on various aspects of whaling history, object-based education using primary and secondary maritime industry resources. Paul Cyr, Research Librarian, New Bedford Free Public Library, presented a session on "Library Resources for 1847 - 1947." Other sessions were offered by Kate Corkum, Director of the Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum, Antone Souza, Executive Director of WHALe, Captain J. Michael Rogers, New Bedford Port Society, Marcia Glynn, with a presentation on the history of the Spring Street Meeting House and Jacquelyn Hallsmith, President of the New Bedford Historical Society.



Immigration was the prominent subject in segments presented by Dr. Thomas McMullin, Professor of History, UMASS Boston, Dr. Richard Lobban, Director of African and Afro-American Studies, Rhode Island College, Waltraud Berger Coli, Cape Verdean Packet Trade specialist of the Schooner Ernestina staff and Librarian Judith Downey of the New Bedford Whaling Museum.

The course participants spent one day in Lowell at the Tsongas Center, Lowell National Historical Park, where Park Service educators explained teaching strategies developed in collaboration with UMASS Lowell.

The culmination of the Institute was a three-day floating seminar aboard the Schooner Ernestina as participants examined the emigration/immigration experience from the decks of the last remaining trans-Atlantic sailing immigration packet. The first day was spent on Buzzards Bay for a thorough orientation in the operation of the schooner. With this familiarization, the group set sail on the second day to experience "sailing away" from a homeland as an emigrant. They left port under sail and sailed out into open sea through the night, venturing out onto the edge of the open ocean in an attempt to replicate the trans-cultural odyssey. The night sail served as a metaphor for the transition of a crossing: the transformation of emigrant to immigrant. The journey was structured to include opportunities for interdisciplinary learning in marine and environmen-

> "I feel I need to experience first hand in order to better teach my students"

third day the teachers charted a course for landfall, replicating the expectation and first impressions of immigrants to a new land. The schooner came to anchor in New Bedford harbor, preparing to "clear customs" and step ashore in a "new land."

One teachers said "my students must go on a sail to get the experience of seeing New Bedford through the eyes of an immigrant....to a group of kids who seldom get beyond their neighboring block it will be something they'd never forget!" and another, "I strongly believe that the classroom lessons will have tangible impact once on the Ernestina " and "I feel I need to experience first hand in order to better teach my

~Special Events~

Join us for a mid-winter family festival

POLAR BEAR TALES
Saturday, February 7, 1998
12 noon to 3pm

co-sponsored by the Schooner Ernestina and the New Bedford Whaling Museum and graciously hosted in the **Lagoda Room of the Museum on Johnny Cake Hill.** Free for the usual price of admission to the Museum.

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Celebrate the 104th birthday of Ernestina ex-Effie M. Morrissey with a special focus on her 20 year career as an Arctic expeditionary vessel.

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Hear astonishing tales of Arctic baseball games and travels aboard the Morrissey to above the Arctic Circle in 1940 by Fred Littleton.

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See expeditionary tools from the era of intrepid exploration from the Museum collection.

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Play Arctic games like the Growler Toss, Walrus Wobble, Pin the Nose on the Narwhal and dance the Snowshoe Shuffle.

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Enjoy Ernestina birthday cake, Eskimo Pies, Polar soda, Seal Flipper Pie and more.

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~Special Concert by Bill Harley ~ after the festival at **3:30pm** in the Whaling Museum Theatre. **Tickets $7, Family ticket $20 available at the door.**

Program Highlights of 199

- School Children Served
- Teachers Served
- # of Programs
- Multiple Day Programs
- Professional Development Programs
- Festival Events
- On-deck visitation
- MA Ports of Call
- Memberships
- Member Sail Opportunities

The mission is "to establish educational, cultural and experiential programs in a context that celebrates human diversity, creativity, value and dignity"

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Entire family enjoys *Crew Member* benefits plus
(4)Guest Passes valid for any "Member Sail Opportunity"

2nd Century Club $1000

***2nd Century Club* members enjoy all benefits**
Guests are free of charge
Receive special framed Eldridge print of Schooner ERNESTINA under full sail

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Corporate Membership $500

All corporate employees receive 25% discount on ERNESTINA membership
Listed as *Business Partner*

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A UNIQUE GIFT IDEA!

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In light of these regulations, please use this information regarding that amount of your ERNESTINA contributions that are tax deductible:

Fully Tax Deductible	
Subscribing Member	$25
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All contributions identified as donations	
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2nd Century Club $1000	$910 is tax deductible

~Join Us Maritime Heritage Day~

Sunday May 3 from 12noon to 4pm co-sponsored by the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, Whaling Museum & Ernestina. This is a day for the whole family to explore the resources of the New Bedford waterfront. Performances will take place at the Whaling Museum and on board the Schooner Ernestina at Tonnessen Park. This year will feature John Roberts & Tony Barrand with The Beans narrating life on a whaler through story and song, lectures on maritime topics and a marketplace of local craftspeople. For more information, call Laura at 508-997-0046 x14.. **Afternoon Sail on Ernestina 4-7 free to members, $35 for non-members** Call 508-992-4900 to sign up. eMail at swanzey@ultranet.com.

~~~~Sign Up Now!~~~Clip Here and send your membership in today!~~~~

- ❒ Subscribing Member $25
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Why become an Ernestina member?

Help with the grassroots support for this important project

Contributions from members and friends of the ship create the solid foundation necessary for a healthy organization. Your support will help spread the word and increase the membership base, leverage other kinds of support, both public and private, and confirm a vote of confidence for the valuable role the ship plays in preserving our heritage and educating our children.

Keep informed and spread the good news about ERNESTINA's programs

Communication is essential to any grassroots, people-to-people organization such as Ernestina. The Ernestina Newsletter, Log of a Record Run, will keep you updated regarding schedule, special events, programs, and community projects. You can also find updates at the web site at http://www.ernestina.org/

Take advantage of wonderful opportunities for yourself as an active participant aboard Schooner ERNESTINA

ENJOY SAILING ON ERNESTINA and support her important work by becoming an active "Crew Member" Each year hundreds of citizens of all ages sail aboard ERNESTINA as she moves along the coast. Rather than sail light handed between ports as ERNESTINA travels to deliver her programs, berths are available to members who would like to haul along side the full time crew. During transit sails from New Bedford to Boston, Boston to Gloucester, up the Narragansett to Fall River and Providence, out to Cape Cod and the islands, ERNESTINA regularly has a number of members on board. People of all ages are welcome to lend a hand!

You can take advantage of this great opportunity to "hand, reef and steer" aboard one the most historic ships afloat! As a Crew Member you will receive the ERNESTINA Newsletter which includes ERNESTINA's sailing and program schedule, including Member Sail Opportunities. Look for this symbol: ** on the schedule. By simply calling the ERNESTINA office, you can reserve your place on the member crew list for any of these Member Sail Opportunities. Members may sail as many times as they wish during the course of the year. Typically up to fifty berths are available for each coastal passages.

Capt. Arnaldo Jose Mendes, 76 of Lisbon, Portugal, formerly of Scituate died Dec. 31, 1997 at MA General Hospital after a short illness.

Mr. Mendes was the son of Capt. Henrique Mendes and served as mariner and captain aboard Ernestina during her transAtlantic period. He was one of the last captains to bring immigrants to the US across the Atlantic under sail.

He is survived by his wife, Maria De Montserrat Mendes; a son, Arnold Mendes of Kingston; a daughter, Mary Lou Quinn of Hull; a brother, Joseph Mendes of Providence, RI; three sisters Ernestine Randall and Ema Mendes, both of Lisbon, and Felismina Mendes of Cape Verde Islands; five grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated at Holy Family Church, East Taunton. Capt. Mendes was laid to rest in St. Joseph's Cemetary, Taunton. ⌘

IT HAPPENED ON HIS WATCH

Deputy Commissioner Peter Smith has left the Department of Environmental Management to return to the private sector. He has stepped off the Schooner Ernestina Commission as well. On behalf of the Commission and staff, we would like to extend a heart-felt thanks for Peter's efforts for Ernestina as he stood watch through the challenging waters of growth during the past three years. Ernestina has come through with both mission-driven program development as well as a fiscally sound organization. Fair winds, Peter! We appreciate all you've done for Ernestina. ⌘

Log of a Record Run **is published quarterly and distributed to ERNESTINA membership as well as partner organizations, institutions and educators. Articles about educational, maritime and preservation activities are welcome and will be considered for publication.**

Schooner ERNESTINA is owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and operated by a commission placed in the Department of Environmental Management. Enabling legislation allows ERNESTINA to receive funds from sources both public and private in order to support its mission. The homeport is New Bedford, MA with offices on New Bedford State Pier. ⌘

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The Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission is a nine member agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts enabled by legislation found in Chapter 6 of the General Laws signed by Governor William Weld January 13, 1994. The Commission is placed in the Department of Environmental Management and includes designees of Commissioner Peter Webber of DEM, Commissioner Frank Haydu of the Department of Education and Ms. Mary Jane McKenna, Director of Office of Travel and Tourism and six other residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The commissioners are appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellucci.

Letter from the Director

Historically, Massachusetts was built on resources gathered from the sea. And, the sea provided the transportation system connecting New England to all parts of the globe. We've grown up hearing many of the stories: Wampanoag people thriving on the rich bounty of the estuaries and passing their knowledge on to the newcomers at Plymouth. Portuguese sailing across the Atlantic before Columbus following the ubiquitous cod, and Basques fishing the coastal waters for whales. Salem captains opened up trade with the Far East and New Bedford whalers explored the far reaches of the globe after sperm and baleen whales and the oil that lit the world. Gloucester fishermen and Essex shipbuilders perfected the Grand Banks fishing schooners and immigrants came to America by ship through Massachusetts ports. Today, as we yearn to understand our identity as Americans and search for common ground, maybe we can once again look to the sea for some answers. Shouldn't we take care to preserve our maritime heritage for ourselves and future generations?

Coastal seaports of Massachusetts are in the midst of change with harbor master plans under development. Seaport funding is available for infrastructure improvements to support present day maritime commerce. The interfacing of multiple uses in the harbors is now one of the most critical considerations of the day. We must maintain the commercial viability of the ports, explore opportunities to boost the economy through tourism and, yet, protect for ourselves and our children this wonderful lens through which we can look at the past.

Schooner Ernestina embodies much of the Massachusetts experience through her history as Grand Banks fisherman, Arctic explorer, WWII survey vessel and Cape Verdean immigration packet. The Schooner Ernestina Commission searches for links to the past and connections in the present. Our goal is to preserve our heritage and expose its relevance for us today. On the other hand, as an operating Coast Guard certificated ship, we have logistical needs that must be provided for in ports such as water depth, dockage, pumpouts and public access. Our operational goals are similar to those of many of the commercial enterprises of the seaports.

Just as a well placed historic preservation project can trigger renewal in a downtown, so can historic vessels afloat and working trigger restoration of a waterfront. Please support Schooner Ernestina through your contributions, membership, or by offering volunteer time. Teachers and school administrators can engage the ship for programs serving young people. Communities can sponsor the ship to come in to port for festival events. If we work together to expose the great stories to be told, we will attract people from far and wide while doing a great service to ourselves. ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

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MODERN MATURITY
Goes to Sea

Boston, MA-June /July 1998

Schooner Ernestina and retired educator Mary Walsh are featured in a recent issue of *Modern Maturity* Magazine, July-August 1998 issue. Mary serves aboard Ernestina as assistant steward and educator when not working on projects and programs ashore.

This year Schooner Ernestina is proud to offer two weeklong Elderhostel programs originating in Boston in June and July. Participants visit Massachusetts Bay seaports including Salem, Gloucester and Provincetown. They receive a full dose of the maritime experience by shipping aboard as reg'lar crew to stand watch 'before the mast.' This educational experience is offered through Humanities International in Boston.

The first of the two programs received some great comments despite a rainy, windy start. "Food was outstanding! The cook was a marvel!" and "Can't say enough positive about the crew-they were polite, positive and thoughtful." As far as recommending the program to others: "Would only recommend to friends who:

⌘ appreciate how sailors of 100 years ago lived (close quarters and night watches at times)

⌘ didn't regard personal privacy a top priority (no individual cabins: only a bunk to a common area)

⌘ might be willing to sacrifice personal cleanliness (no showers aboard, showers are arranged at the port stops)

⌘ were prepared for some spectacular sights and unforgettable experiences!"

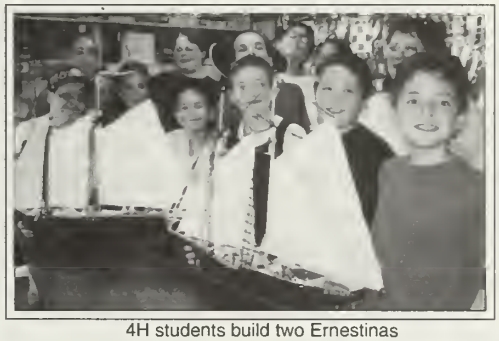
All berths are full for this year due to great demand, but we are eager to offer the trip next year in 1999. Stay tuned and give Humanities International a call today to let them know you are interested! Write to Elderhostel at 75 Federal Street, Boston, MA 02110-1941 or call 617-426-8056. ⌘

SHIP AT WORK:
A Full Year of Programs

Coastal New England-1998

Ernestina's educational activities are expanding in all directions: more learners, of all ages and from an increasing number of localities, are taking advantage of the schooner's offerings. This year has third graders aboard for dockside experiences and Elderhostelers underway on Stellwagen Bank, middle school groups sampling the water column in Narragansett Bay and Boston high schoolers exploring the Harbor Islands. Girl scouts groups will sail among tall ships in separate programs on Long Island Sound and in Massachusetts Bay and a university-level underway program will sail Ernestina to the Isle of Shoals off New Hampshire.

For a third consecutive school year, the 4-H after school groups from Gomes School and Hayden-McFadden School in New Bedford have come every Friday afternoon to State Pier for songs, ship model building, stories of the sea and many other activities. This May, as a culminating experience, they stepped aboard the ship they had learned about and sailed the coastal waters!



4H students build two Ernestinas

The sailing season started this year with expanded Working on the Water (WOW) programs with New Bedford fourth graders hosted jointly by Schooner Ernestina and the New Bedford Whaling Museum (NBWM) in May. Additional WOW programs will be offered in November. Funded by the Island Foundation for three years running, these programs have been lengthened from half-day to full-day field trips for 1998. Reflecting ongoing input from participating teachers, WOW

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FESTIVAL SHIP:
Maritime Heritage Afloat

Seaports of New England-1998

As one of the most historic ships afloat, Schooner Ernestina serves throughout each season as a principal element in waterfront festival events in the New England region and beyond. This year she will be featured in historical, educational, environmental and civic events in Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York.

Ernestina's festival appearances for 1998 began on May 3, appropriately, in her home port of New Bedford. The third annual Maritime Heritage Festival, produced in partnership with the New Bedford Whaling Museum and the National Park Service, has become one of the city's premier springtime family events. A host of activities filled the afternoon on Johnny Cake Hill and at the waterfront as museum and schooner staff and volunteers gave tours and led activities. Offerings included nautical and craft demonstrations along with musical and dramatic performances by Len Cabral, storyteller, and maritime musicians Roberts & Barrand, Cliff Haslam, The Beans and the Rum Soaked Crooks.

In the last week of May, following educational programs in Buzzards Bay and Narragansett Bay, Ernestina sailed to New York City, picked up students from Rockland County, NY and headed up the Hudson River to participate in the celebration of the Rockland County Bicentennial. In Haverstraw Bay there was a grand assembly of historic and replica vessels organized by the National Maritime Historical Society. Huge crowds visited Schooner

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designed to raise awareness will be the projects for SEEAL in the coming year.

The Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance of Massachusetts (SEEAL) formed under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts in 1997 thanks to multiple year funding from the Massachusetts Environmental Trust and Island Foundation as well as the Henry H. Crapo Foundation and Polaroid with the initial goal to provide educational experiences to young people of New Bedford with a special focus on New Bedford Harbor. Today this original goal is expanding into regional development of SEEAL's environmental education and stewardship activities to encompass the watersheds of Buzzards Bay and parts of the Taunton River watershed in Southeastern Massachusetts.

In its first year, SEEAL members set regular monthly meetings to design a structure for operation of the Alliance including development of mission, roles, logo and general operation, etc. Next, questionnaires were completed by Alliance members to provide an intra-organizational information base, as well as by school teachers in the New Bedford School system for an assessment of needs. On the basis of these questionnaires and information about statewide and national initiatives in education and the environment, SEEAL members developed a plan of action corresponding to identified goals.

The first round of funding in 1997 at a $35,000 level focused on programs for New Bedford school children and provided (19) watershed education program kits, training and 25% effort by a coordinator for support to elementary classes, field trips to a local estuary for 5th graders, in school hands-on activities for middle school grades and a coastal on-the-water experience for high school science classes. After school clubs at the high school helped construct a saltmarsh trail and explored the coastal environment on shipboard. Finally, teachers in the junior high grades received watershed education program kits along with training, a GIS map of New Bedford, a lecture entitled "Cumulative Ecological Effects on New Bedford Harbor: Historical Connections" by Carol Pesch from EPA and an underway educational program from New Bedford Harbor.

Over time the Alliance plans to expand its range to serve the watersheds of the Taunton, Westport, Mattapoisett, Sippican, Weweantic, Wankinco, Agawam and Red Rivers as well as the Paskamansett and Acushnet. Donations and planned gifts may be arranged to support the ongoing work of SEEAL through the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts by contacting Anne Beaulieu, Executive Director, at P.O. Box 6632, 105 William Street, New Bedford, MA 02742, or by calling 508-996-8253.⌘

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~Special Events~

Join us for a very special maritime event....

HM Bark ENDEAVOUR

to visit
New Bedford State Pier
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Friday, August 28
~through~
Monday, September 7

~hosted by the~
Schooner Ernestina
and the
Partners of
New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park
~sponsored by the~
City of New Bedford

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HM Bark ENDEAVOUR will sail into New Bedford on August 28 with a Parade of Sail lead by Schooner Ernestina
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The ship will open its gangways on Saturday, August 29th daily through September 6th from 10 am to 6 pm for public visitation.
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~Admission~
Adults $10 Seniors $8
Children $5 Family $25
Group discounts available for youth groups.
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~Notice~
120 Volunteers Needed!
Become part of the ENDEAVOUR Crew by giving tours. Serve for (4) stints of 4 hours each. Receive a special handbook and an invitation to a special event. Dress in period costume from the ship's hanging locker!
Call Ernestina at 508-992-4900 to sign up.
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ENDEAVOUR was built in Australia as a floating museum. She is a replica of **Capt. James Cook's** ship of Pacific Discovery of 1768 to 1771. **Sir Joseph Banks**, scientist, astonished Britain with the exotic animals and plants collected during the voyage. See **National Geographic November 1996** article.
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~Calendar~

June

7-13 Elderhostel Program:
"Maritime Heritage of MA Bay"
Call 617-426-8056

13-20 UMASS Boston
"Exporing the Coastal Environment"
A Summer Program in Oceanography and Coastal Zone Management
Call 617-287-7915.

22-23 Dennis-Yarmouth HS Overnight

24-26 **Transit New Bedford to Stamford**
$100 members
$135 for non-members

27 Sound Waters Festival
Stamford, CT

June 28-July 2 Greater Essex Hudson Girl Scout Council
Transit Stamford, CT to Mystic, CT

New England Aquarium

Collaborative programs originating at the New England Aquarium will explore the marine world on display at the Aquarium as well as out on Boston Harbor amongst the Harbor Islands and beyond aboard Ernestina. For the Summer Discovery Programs and a four day "Schooner Adventure" on Ernestina call 617-973-5206 for info and registration.

Celebrate the Centennial!

The MA State Forests and Parks System can trace its beginnings back to June 20, 1898 when the state legislature established Mt. Greylock State Reservation in Northern Berkshire County. In honor of this momentous occasion, the Schooner Ernestina, as part of the Department of Environmental Management, will hold an open house at Fan Pier at the Federal court House in Boston on July 12 with activities for children and interpretive displays.

July

2-3 **Transit Mystic to New Bedford**
$35 for members
$60 for non-members

4-5 New Bedford's Summerfest
Ships, music, crafts, demonstrations and more!

6-8 Bartlett Boy Reunion
Transit Martha's Vineyard and back.

9-11 Munson Institute
Transit New Bedford to Salem American Maritime Studies Summer Course
Call 860-572-5359

11 Salem Maritime Festival

12 Dept of Environmental Management Centennial
Boston Fan Pier
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12-18 Elderhostel Sail
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18 **Transit Boston to Gloucester 9am-1pm**

18 Gloucester Maritime Festival
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19 Gloucester Schooner Adventure Sails
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7 **Transit New Bedford to Fall River 4am-1pm**

7-9 Fall River Celebrates America

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15 New Bedford Aquarium
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16 Ocean Spray New Bedford
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17-22 UMASS Boston Urban Scholars
Transit New Bedford to Boston

23 Outdoor Explorations
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9am-5pm Boston

24Transit Boston to New Bedford 6am-7pm****

August 28-September 7 HM Bark Endeavour visits New Bedford *See page 4*

28-30 Transit New Bedford to Portland, ME****
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August 30-September 4 Greens Farms Academy
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September

5 **Transit Boston to Gloucester 5-9pm**

5 Hard Disc Cafe Fireworks Sail

6 Gloucester Schooner Race
Ocean Spray sponsorship TBA

7 **Transit Gloucester to Boston 9am-1pm**

8-11 St. Margaret's-McTernan
Transit Boston to New Bedford

12 Waquoit Bay Volunteer Sail
Woods Hole to Martha's Vineyard 9-12

12-13 American Schooner Association
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ERNESTINA LOSES A GOOD FRIEND

New Bedford-April 24, 1998

John P. "Joli" Gonsalves, of New Bedford, a well-known figure in the Cape Verdean community and a local civic and cultural leader, died at the home of his sister in New Bedford on Friday, April 24, 1998.

Joli served on the original Schooner Ernestina Commission in 1982 when the ship was gifted by the Republic of Cape Verde to the people of the United States. He was Chairman during the first years of the Commission as the restoration was begun and the organization to operate the ship took form. Since that time he has sung at festivals, come aboard the ship for educational programs for school children and joined the ship at other ports of call to help build a strong and full program.

Mr. Gonsalves was honored by the city in May 1990 for his founding of the Cape Verdean Cultural Center and his singing history of Cape Verdean culture. He served as director of the center since its inception.

Joli teaching with Eugenia Fortes

Born in New Bedford, Mr. Gonsalves attended local schools and as a World War II Army veteran, he served in five campaigns in Europe.

After the war, Mr. Gonsalves was a vocalist and percussionist with the first All-Star Cape Verdean Orchestra to tour the United States in 1947-48. He attended the Arlington Academy of Music from 1949 until his graduation in 1952.

In his 13-year professional music career, Mr. Gonsalves worked as chorister and stage manager with the Leonard de Pour Chorus and as a chorister and arranger for Harry Belafonte and the Belafonte Folk Singers.

During this period, he traveled to 14 countries in Africa under the auspices of the U.S. State Department. In Liberia, he was knighted by President V.S. Tubman in recognition of his having composed a national anthem for the West African republic.

Mr. Gonsalves, a baritone, established two music publishing companies and recorded with numerous recording artists as well as making appearances with many on network television, including the Ed Sullivan Show.

A near-fatal auto accident on Dec. 22, 1967, curtailed Mr. Gonsalves' professional singing career and brought him back to New Bedford where he worked as a newscaster for radio station WNBH from 1970 to 1972.

He became a director of the Model Cities Community Development Corp., made his first visit to the Cape Verde Islands and founded the Cape Verdean Cultural Center.

In succeeding years, Mr. Gonsalves was moderator and producer of a bilingual Cape Verdean television program telecast over Channel 6 for six years and served as a member and chairman of New Bedford's Human Relations Commission.

We will miss Joli very much and appreciate all he did for the community and Schooner Ernestina. ⌘

BARTLETT BOYS SAIL AGAIN!

New Bedford, MA - July 6-8

For two days in July, historical Schooner Ernestina will be manned by crew members that "go way back" with the ship ~ back *before she was Ernestina!* On Tuesday, July 6, a group of senior sailors will gather for a reunion of "Bartlett Boys" ~ men who, as teenagers in the 1930's and 40's, sailed with Captain Robert Bartlett to the far reaches of the arctic regions aboard Bartlett's schooner, *Effie M. Morrissey,* now called Schooner Ernestina. For the next two days the group will swap stories of their adventures in the frozen north while they sail aboard Schooner Ernestina on Buzzards Bay and Vineyard Sound.

The reunion was launched by "Bartlett Boy" Fred Littleton, a veteran of Bartlett's 1940 expedition to Greenland. Fred is now a resident of Chilmark, on Martha's Vineyard. He has been a longtime active supporter of the preservation of the schooner through the "Friends of Ernestina" and the Ernestina/Morrissey Historical Association (EMHA) and has served as Chairman of the Massachusetts Schooner Ernestina Commission.

Working with the Schooner Ernestina staff, he issued an invitation to interested parties, both surviving "Bartlett Boys" and their relatives, to a two-day reunion that would include a passage to the Vineyard and back. The invitations went out to the old hands across North America, from New Mexico to Newfoundland. Nine original "Bartlett Boys" are attending and a compliment of wives, grown children and even some grandchildren.

1940 Voyage set record for furthest North

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SEEAL LOGO CONTEST

The Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance of MA is pleased to announce the selection of a new logo designed by Doug Oliviera.

Thanks to all those who entered the contest!

~Note of Thanks~

Jenny Russel has left the Island Foundation as Executive Director. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to her for all her great work in the Greater New Bedford area and wish her well.

NEW COMMISSIONERS ABOARD

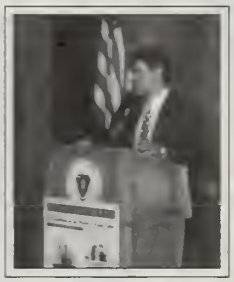
State House-Boston-April 1998

Commissioner Peter Webber presided over a ceremony at the State House in April to swear-in two new Ernestina commissioners and reinstate the continuing members. Schooner Ernestina holds an annual event in the State House as a way of checking in with the legislators and giving an update on Ernestina's ongoing programs. There are videos, slides and, best of all, a cake from Homelyke Bakery in New Bedford.

Mark Montigny extends congratulations

Senator Mark Montigny and Representative Tony Cabral, who have been instrumental in Ernestina's progress over the past four years, were on hand to say a few words.

The new commissioners this year are Ms. Bettina Borders and Ms. Carol Pimentel both from the greater New Bedford area.



Tony Cabral at the State House

Bettina Borders is a partner in the law firm of Borders, Littman & Peppard, P.A. in New Bedford specializing in family law, state intervention, children's rights and all probate matters. She is an incorporator, board member and officer of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts.

Carol Pimentel is Budget Director at UMASS Dartmouth. She was Director of the Mayor's Office of Community Development and City Auditor under the Bullard administration of the City of New Bedford.⌘

ERNESTINA IS *COOKING WITH GAS!*

This spring a major capital improvement took place on the ship. The diesel powered Shipmate stove that we had come to love on the cold fall days ~but dread throughout the hot summer months~ was pulled off the ship for good. A new stove powered by propane came to rest down through the hatch.

In response to feedback from the cook and crew about problems with cleanliness in the galley and evaluations coming back from participants with the only negative comment having to do with soot, smoke and the stove, we pulled specs and bids together and made the purchase. The new setup is fully safeguarded with shutoffs, sensors and a U.S. Coast Guard approved installation. In addition, Jon Burt did some fine cabinet work with the design and installation of new countertop and lockers for more storage.

We must say that we enjoy the frequent notes we get in the office from Laurie Weitzen , chief steward, saying "I love, love, love my new stove!!!"

If it be possible, the food is even better coming out of the galley this year.... But, there have never been anything other than rave reviews there!

We also have a new fish hold ladder aboard for safer trips below thanks to the great work of Bob Marchand, carpenter extraordinaire!⌘

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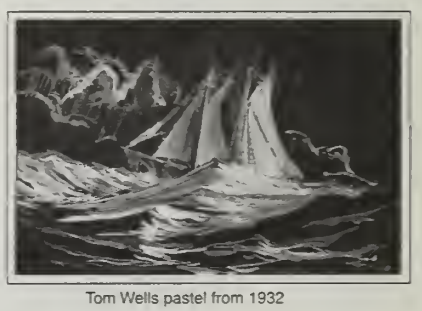
All bunks will be filled for the overnight to the Vineyard although some participants may opt for the shoreside B&B accommodations.

The reunion will welcome the following Bartlett Boys: Austen Colgate (1940), John Pitcairn (1940), David Nutt (1938, '39, '40 as scientist), Ed Peary Stafford (1932), James Pond (1940), George Hodge (1940), Garrison McClure (1939) and Fred Littleton (1940). Also attending will be Florence Wengerd, who's husband Sherman was on the voyage of 1942.

1932 Expedition

The oldest surviving "Bartlett Boy," Ed Weyer(1928 & '32) responded to the invitation with regrets - but wished the expedition well.

Just as in the Bartlett era, there will be a professional camera whirring on the deck during the expedition to Martha's Vineyard. Rick Lopes, motion picture producer and director from New York, will be shooting underway footage and interviews with the senior seafarers, documenting yet another historic moment in the journey of this, one of history's most remarkable vessels. Mr. Lopes is finishing work on a comprehensive documentary on Schooner Ernestina and will be bringing a full camera and sound crew along on the voyage.⌘



Tom Wells pastel from 1932

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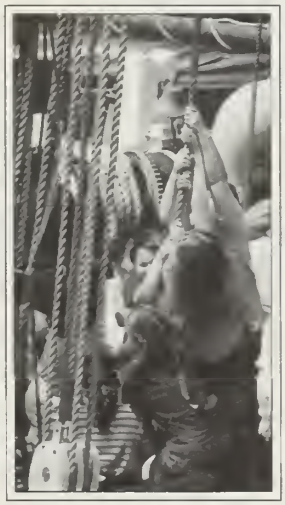
Ernestina at her berth in Stony Point, including New York Governor George Pataki and legendary folk musician, social activist and environmentalist Pete Seeger. By the way, there is a movement afoot to build another boat for Clearwater in the Hudson. If you would like to get involved give Clearwater a call at 914-454-7673!

On June 5 Ernestina had her own party at Rowes Wharf in Boston. "A Celebration of Two Launchings" was a special event saluting the Schooner Ernestina expanding role as an important educational and cultural resource where people of all ages and walks of life can find new ways to discover and relate to the world around them and, perhaps, those who will share that world with them, on board ship and ashore. The event also honored author Roland Barth, noted educator, and the publication of his book, "Cruising Rules," which speaks with wit and wisdom of relationships between shipmates and of lessons learned while living and working with others on the water. More than 200 attended the program which was presided over by Ernestina Commissioner John Braman and featured comments by Mr. Barth, former Commission Chair Fred Littleton, Cape Verdean poet Manuel Goncalves and members of the Ernestina crew and educational staff. Music for the festivities was graciously provided by Heavenly Fire Steel Band, Nigel Chase, Captain.

The Sound Waters Festival, focusing on coastal environmental issues in Connecticut, will welcome Schooner Ernestina for the second year in a row on Saturday, June 27. The schooner will join other vessels at Stamford, CT, for daysails and other activities shoreside.

New Bedford's Summerfest is, of course, the festival event of the season for Ernestina. The ship will be open to the public from 5pm to 9pm on Friday, July 3, from 2pm to 6pm, Saturday and 3pm to 6pm on Sunday. Also on the schedule for that weekend is the traditional Blessing of the Fleet, led by Schooner Ernestina, and a Sunday evening Fireworks Sail in the harbor.

On Saturday, July 18, will find Ernestina involved in the Gloucester Maritime Festival. The ongoing collaboration with the Schooner Adventure organization in Gloucester will continue during this weekend. As that group works hard to refit Gloucester's flagship, Adventure, they are also building capacity and developing programs even though the vessel is not "up and running." To help this process, Ernestina is the "surrogate schooner" for the Adventure project, providing at-cost sails on certain weekends during this summer and fall. For details call Mary Helen at the Adventure office, 978 281-8079.



Fall River Celebrates America Festival will have Ernestina again this year at Battleship Cove for August 8 and 9. This gala always features lots of good food, non-stop music and a grand variety of floating attractions from the biggest (USS Massachusetts) to the best (Schooner Ernestina!)

Labor Day weekend means a trip to Gloucester for the Gloucester Schooner Race. This event attracts a variety of vessels in addition to the larger schooners. Ernestina's berth for all her visits in Gloucester will be the Jodfrey State Pier.

At every festival event, Schooner Ernestina is a spectacle ~ with her new topmasts fitted, her colors flying. We sincerely appreciate the support by sponsors who enable thousands of people to step aboard! ⌘

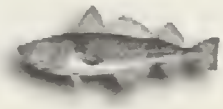
PROGRAMS Continued from page 3

curriculum has been expanded and enriched each year since its inception. Working collaboratively with NBWM educators, Ernestina staff and volunteers developed a new model of interpretation for the comparative technologies curriculum that has been well received by fourth grade faculty and pupils.

Watershed education on Buzzards Bay was the focus of a dockside series in May. Third grade programs with the Buzzards Bay Action Committee, coordinated by Ernestina staff and BBAC's Len Gonsalves, brought together educators from a number of area resources, including the Lloyd Center, Westport River Watershed Alliance, the Children's Museum of Dartmouth and the Coalition for Buzzards Bay. Participants included groups from Fairhaven and Acushnet.

Tricia Sheppard from the Lloyd Center

A family sail with the Minot Forest School, Wareham, took place in May and was followed by an Ernestina presentation at the school in June. Polly Zajac, who has served as Ernestina's volunteer community and education liason this year, took elements of the Working on the Water curriculum into the Wareham classrooms as part of Ernestina's growing educational outreach. Wareham is, of course, historically connected to the initial efforts of nearly two decades ago to bring Schooner Ernestina back to Massachusetts. Now we have a new generation of Wareham youngsters discovering that history, sharing in the civic pride and the recognition of the richness of Cape Verdean-American heritage that it brings. ⌘



100 Years Ago In Ernestina History:

During the first three months of the year 1898, the ***Ernestina***, then known as the ***Effie M. Morrissey***, made frequent appearances in the local fishing papers, the ***Herring News*** in particular. Operating as a working boat, one of the storied Grand Banks schooners, the ***Ernestina*** hauled tons of seafood up and down the eastern seaboard of the United States.

One account, dated Friday, January 21, 1898, listed the ***Effie M. Morrissey*** as leaving that morning for Philadelphia "with her cargo of herring."

The next month, the ***Effie M. Morrissey*** appears in the ***Herring News*** having sailed "for Boston today with her cargo of frozen herring."

A more detailed account of the ***Effie M. Morrissey***'s travels a century ago appears in the Wednesday, March 2, 1898, ***Herring News:***

"Schooner Joseph Rowe, Capt. Clayton Morrissey, arrived from Placentia Bay, N.F., Tuesday afternoon with nearly a full load of frozen herring. She was six days on the passage. Capt. Morrissey reports that when he left there was no herring there and six vessels there."

The ***Daily Times Fish Bureau*** reported on Tuesday, March 8, 1898, in a short article sub-headed "Will Go South" that the ***Morrissey*** would join a small flotilla of 30 vessels referred to as "The Southern Mackerel Fleet" of other schooners in a Southern trip between March 20th and April 15th of that year. Other schooners joining the ***Morrissey*** included the ***Capt. Anson Leman***, the ***Golden Hope***, the ***Capt. Douglass McLean***, the ***Nereid***, and the ***Capt. Frank Maguire***, among others.

The ***Morrissey*** continued its sail through that spring with two other news accounts, both recorded in ***The Mackerel News***, with both reporting a change in captains. The first recorded its "fitting for sailing under the command of Capt. Henry Kavanagh" on May 4, 1898, the other "under the command of Capt. Daniel Cogill."

50 Years Ago in Ernestina History:

Fifty years ago recorded an important date in the history of the schooner which would later become known as the ***Ernestina***. A Sunday, January 4, 1948, article in the ***New York Herald Tribune*** records the sale of the "Bartlett Arctic Schooner" by the Coastal Carrier Corporation to the Pequot Marine Corporation of New London, Conn. The future use its new buyers had for it was not disclosed to the newspaper, it was reported.

The news story rightfully refers to the ship as the "famous Arctic exploration ship of the late Captain Robert A. Bartlett." In the article is noted the fact that the Coastal Carrier Corp. had acquired the vessel from the Bartlett estate.

Later that year and more locally, the venerable ***Standard-Times*** of New Bedford, Mass., notes that the "former Arctic exploration vessel ***Effie M. Morrissey***, well known in this vicinity, is scheduled to enter the Cape Verde Island packet trade, operating out of New Bedford."

A photograph accompanied by a cutline showed the ship at the Case Boatbuilding yard in Fairhaven and projected a May debut in the island trade.⌘

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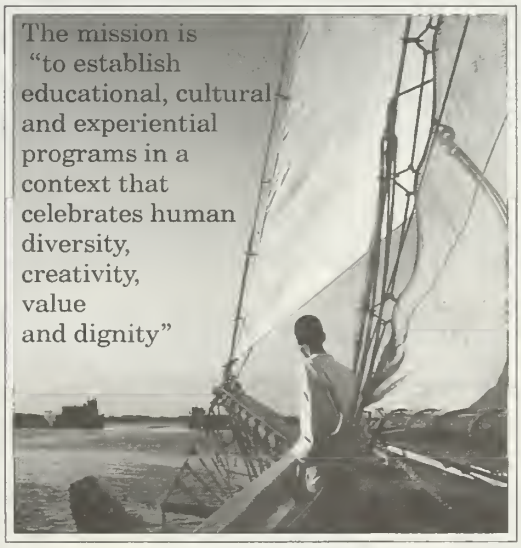

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THANKS SO MUCH FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE!

Commissioners **Mimi McConnell** and **Carl Cruz** have stepped off the Schooner Ernestina Commission. On behalf of the Commission and staff, we would like to extend a heart-felt thanks for your efforts for Ernestina through an incredible period of growth during the past four years. Ernestina has come through with both mission-driven program development as well as a fiscally sound organization. Mimi and Carl, we appreciate all you've done for Ernestina! ⌘

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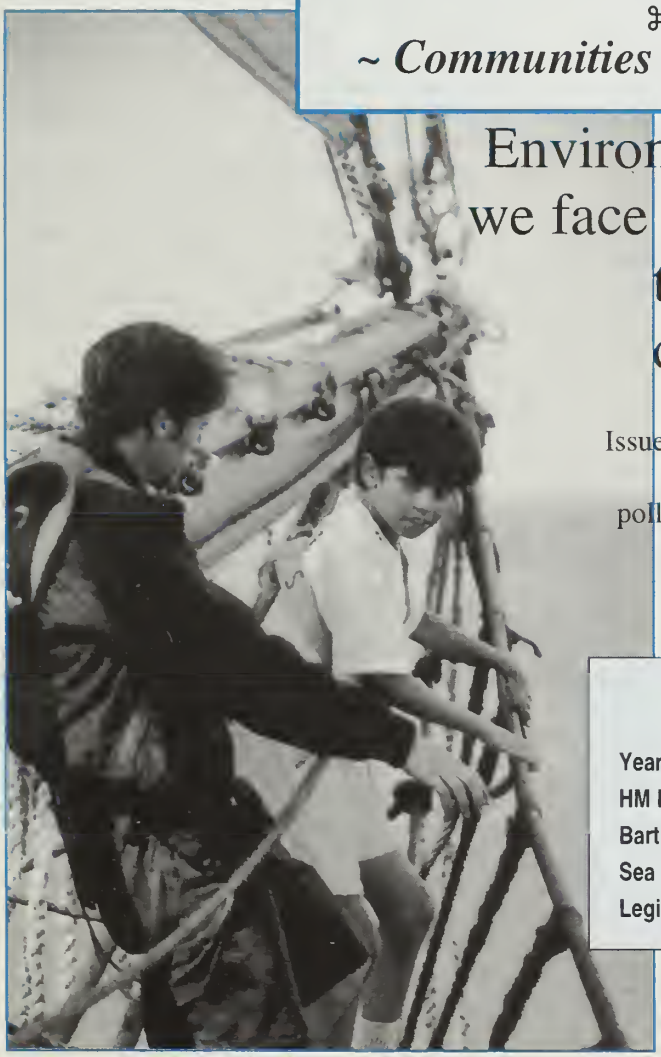

Environmental challenges we face today are different than those of just a decade or two ago.

Issues are associated with factors such as stretched water supplies, pollution from widely dispersed sources

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The Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission is a nine member agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts enabled by legislation found in Chapter 6 of the General Laws signed by Governor William Weld Jannary 13, 1994. The Commission is placed in the Department of Environmental Management and inclndes designees of Commissioner Peter Webber of DEM, Commissioner Frank Haydn of tbe Department of Ednca tion and Ms. Mary Jane McKenna, Director of Office of Travel and Tourism and six other residents of the Commonwealth of Massachnsetts. The commissioners are appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellncci.

Letter from the Director

This year has been an exceptional one for Schooner Ernestina, perhaps one of the most active of her century-long career! We find ourselves in a position of managing a rapidly filling slate for 1999 that will fill to capacity. But, what does this mean to the organization? We have tough challenges ahead. The struggle is less with survival and more for most effective use of a fabulous learning environment and symbol of education, culture and heritage.

What are some of the activities currently underway? The Schooner Ernestina Commission's Diversity Committee looks at the character of our growth as we expand, build new programs and hire new staff. We are writing proposals for funding that involve a growing partnership. We design new programs that are shore-based and use the schooner in adjunct ways. We are working with the New Bedford Harbor Master Plan Committee to incorporate more than just a dock facility for the ship and other visiting Tall Ships but also a shore-based educational facility on the waterfront. We envision expanded programs and access for the citizens of New Bedford as well as additional attractions for visitors to New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park.

Ernestina is in an enviable position thanks to a broad-based effort. Central to Ernestina's continued success is the dedicated funding for Ernestina as part of the State Budget thanks to Greater New Bedford's legislative delegation, especially Senator Mark Montigny and Representative Tony Cabral, who have led the way each year as we go back and argue for the core funding. Foundations such as the Boston Marine Society, Island Foundation and Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts enable programs through underwriting funds. State agencies such as the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, Department of Environmental Management, Department of Education, and Office of Travel and Tourism are great advocates for the ship and take advantage of the services Ernestina has to offer. Staff and interns build depth and consistancy by their skill and commitment. Where would we be without our donors and our growing membership and volunteer corps?

Today, we look to the community leaders and citizens of coastal communities to embrace and use the ship more fully. We ask that the planning processes in progress for New Bedford's future incorporate the Ernestina in a substantive way in order to enhance our ability to target and secure funding for Ernestina's activities for the region. We hope citizens will help us look to the future and share in new and exciting developments.

Ernestina runs before a fair wind... We are on deck ready to spread some more canvas!

But only with your help ~ Join us! ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

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ELDERHOSTELERS
Sail Before the Mast

Boston, MA-June /July 1999

Next year Schooner Ernestina is proud to once again offer two weeklong Elderhostel programs originating in Boston June 21-25 and July 12-16. Participants visit Massachusetts Bay seaports such as Salem, Gloucester and Provincetown. A new feature of the plan for this year is a stop at Shoals Marine Lab on Appledore Island in the Isles of Shoals. Participants receive a full dose of the maritime experience by shipping aboard as reg'lar crew to stand watch 'before the mast.' This educational experience is offered through Humanities International in Boston.

Berths may fill rapidly due to great demand. Call the Schooner Ernestina office for any questions. Registration is through Humanities International. Please write or call today to let them know you are interested! Write to Elderhostel at 75 Federal Street, Boston, MA 02110-1941 or call 617-426-8056. ⌘

Celebrate the Centennial!

The MA State Forests and Parks System can trace its beginnings back to June 20, 1898 when the state legislature established Mt. Greylock State Reservation in Northern Berkshire County.

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SEA CONNECTIONS III:
~ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EXPEDITION~

Coastal MA-July/August 1998

Sea Connections Summer Content Institute for teachers ran for its third straight year with great weather and an interesting track aboard Schooner Ernestina. The ship circumnavigated Cape Cod!

Day 1: The first day of the Institute was a whirlwind of new faces and information including a run-through of the schedule and a presentation on the MA Curriculum Frameworks, student active learning, and scientific investigation. The day culminated with a tour of the Center for Marine Science and Technology (CMAST) hosted by CMAST associate, Joe Deck. "It's great to finally get started! We seem to have a great, fun, diverse group!"

Day 2: This day began with a review of the first day, then a series of lectures covering ecology of coastal habitats, biology of marine larvae and marine research in the laboratory. Teacher-teams met to discuss their research questions. The afternoon was spent at Gooseberry Neck, learning research methodology by 'digging in' with hands-on sampling of aquatic environments and observing rocky coast organisms. "I know this course will really help me with the confidence I need to teach."

Day 3: An early morning start included a birdwatching trip at the Lloyd Center, where the whole day was spent. A tour of the Center and orientation to coastal and on-water programs for the day followed the previous day's review. The groups then began an on-shore, on-water program covering salt marshes, estuaries, and an archaeological dig.

Day 4: The morning was spent at Barney's Joy Beach to get some experience studying beaches, dunes and estuaries. After finding a variety of marine life, including crabs and silversides, the crowd headed back to UMass Dartmouth for lectures about marine environments and navigation. "Barney's Joy is a piece of heaven. The pristine area is a joy to study and it recharges one's batteries."

Day 5: Methods of program and student assessment were discussed. Elizabeth Winiarz, Science Librarian at

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such as stormwater runoff and increased residential development in our coastal communities.

Communities are connected by water. What happens in one town affects another. Did you know that:

- There are rivers in Massachusetts that run dry in the summer because too much water is pumped out for drinking water and other uses.
- Some rivers actually flow backward at times because of the amount of water taken out of lakes and ponds up stream.
- The demand for fresh water is so high that some communities are considering building desalination plants to turn sea water into drinking water.
- Despite 30 years of environmental regulation, nearly one third of Massachusetts rivers are not safe for swimming or fishing.
- The biggest source of water pollution in Massachusetts is not industrial waste but contaminated stormwater runoff from roads, driveways and parking lots.
- Stormwater runoff has gotten worse in the past 20 years as development has increased.

Today local leaders and citizens need to play a much larger role in identifying and addressing environmental issues. A team approach is required with cooperation between local officials, state agencies, local activities and concerned citizens.

The mission is to "build watershed-based partnerships to better protect our state's environmental quality." Seven primary program elements include water quality, water quantity, habitat, open space, recreation, outreach and education, and local capacity building.

To get involved in the Watershed Initiative you need to know what watershed is yours. There are 27 watersheds in Massachusetts. Take a look at the map below and decide which one you are in. You can give a call to the Massachusetts Watershed Coalition at 508-534-0379 to learn more about local watershed alliances. Call the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs at 617-727-9800 or visit http://www.state.ma.us/envir/watershd.htm for the name and phone number of the watershed team leader for your area. ⌘

~ State funds keep Ernestina on track ~

Dedicated funding in the Massachusetts State Budget in support of general operations in the amount of $175,000 has been appropriated in fiscal year 1999 thanks to the efforts of **Senator Mark Montigny** and **Representative Tony Cabral** and the rest of the Greater New Bedford legislative delegation.

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This funding is central to our efforts to build a public/private partnership to keep Ernestina sailing and offering programs.

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1998 Sailing Year Stats

Programs:	159
Member sails:	34
Persons directly served:	14,831
Contact hours offered:	65,893
Volunteer hours:	7,122
Web site hits:	240,000*
Web site user sessions:	16,895*

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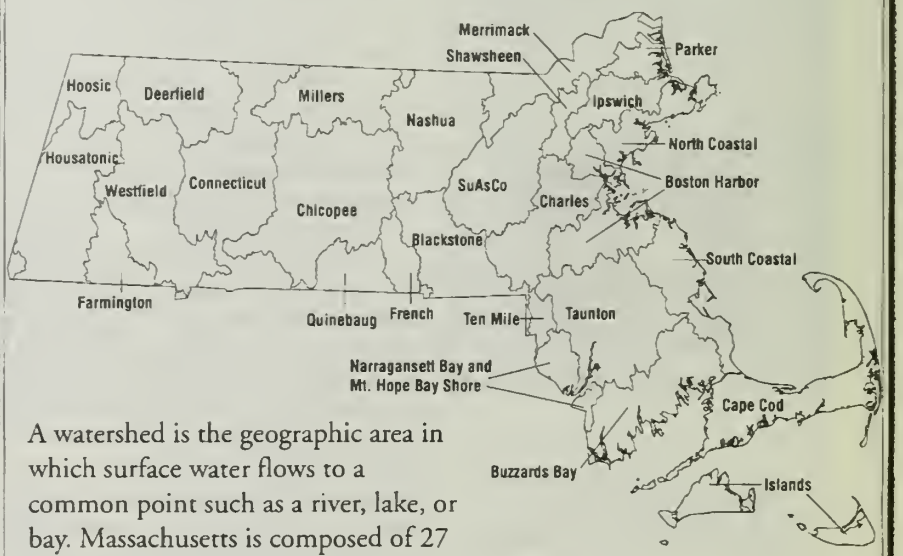
Massachusetts' Watersheds



A watershed is the geographic area in which surface water flows to a common point such as a river, lake, or bay. Massachusetts is composed of 27 major watersheds as shown in the map above.

Massachusetts
ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST

Position Announcement

Massachusetts Schooner Ernestina is now taking applications for staff positions for the upcoming 1999 sailing season. Ernestina is a 156' gaff rigged schooner and USCG inspected vessel providing educational programming shipboard and ashore for the New England area, based in New Bedford, MA.

Master: USCG near coastal Auxiliary sail license 100 ton required

Mates: USCG near coastal Auxiliary sail license 100 ton required

AB Sail: AB Certification with sail endorsement required

Engineer: Cummins 855 diesel, auxiliary power plants, and ships systems

Relief Steward/Deckhand: Incorporates deck skills with steward training and galley management for 10 crew and up to 24 trainees.

Educators: Familiarity with cooperative learning and inquiry-based and hands-on approaches useful

Communication, Sign, Language, Music skills useful for all positions.

Please call or write for application:

Gregg Swanzey, Director
Massachusetts Schooner Ernestina Commission
PO Box 2010
New Bedford, MA 02741-2010
508-992-4900
Website: http://www.ernestina.org

Applications accompanied by a resume must arrive in the Schooner Ernestina office no later than **January 30th, 1999 at 5pm**.

Sailing season approximately April through October.
Positions may become available throughout the year.

The Schooner Ernestina is an equal opportunity employer.
Minorities and women are encouraged to apply.

~Calendar~

December

4-12 Wilderness First Responder
Professional development offering for mariners and persons who work in responsible positions in extreme environments.
$425 non-members, $400 for members
Call Andrea Parrish, Education Director for details at 508-992-4900.

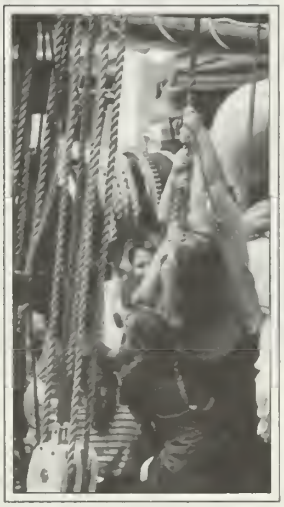
9-30 Schooner Ernestina Haul-Out
D.N. Kelley & Son Shipyard in Fairhaven,MA will be hauling the ship for periodic US Coast Guard inspection and maintenance. Replacement of 15 to 20 planks is considered.

January

10 Duxbury Bay Maritime School
Gregg Swanzey will speak at the Ellison Center, Duxbury, MA 4-7pm
with music by Tom Goux.

February

6 Blue Whale Tales
& Ernestina's Birthday Party
at the New Bedford Whaling Museum
See upcoming mailing for details.



VISIT ERNESTINA's *award winning* WEB SITE at http://www.ernestina.org
While you are there please take a moment to complete our on-line survey. We are considering an upgrade for greater visitor interaction and to improve the quality of the site as a resource. ⌘

Schooner Ernestina & City Hall Welcome HM Bark ENDEAVOUR to New Bedford

Dozens of Greater New Bedford area citizens responded to the call for Volunteer Guides when the HMBark *Endeavour* put in to their historic harbor, August 28 through September 6, 1998. That citizen involvement along with sponsorship by Mayor Fred Kalisz and the City of New Bedford enabled a spectacular nine-day stopover in this historic port of call. Schooner *Ernestina* hosted the visiting ship and helped facilitate and coordinate the myriad details for the *Endeavour's* visit at State Pier thanks to funding from the National Park Service through the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park.

The *Endeavour*, a full scale replica of Captain James Cook's famous ship of discovery, visited New Bedford as part of a round-the-world voyage. The vessel was open for tours from 10am to 7pm during each day of the visit. Volunteer Guides served four hour shifts assisting the professional crew of *Endeavour* in guiding the public through the vessel. Each Guide attended registration, orientation and training sessions provided by the Bark *Endeavour* Foundation prior to the arrival of the historic replica vessel. These sessions were held at the Northeast Maritime Institute, 66 Spring St., (formerly the YWCA building), New Bedford. Northeast Maritime also assisted Schooner Ernestina staff in providing shoreside accommodations for Endeavour personnel while in New Bedford.

Arriving from Boston via the Cape Cod Canal, Bark *Endeavour* was escorted into New Bedford harbor by Schooner *Ernestina* and the *Larinda* from Onset. A formal ceremony of welcome was presided over by Schooner *Ernestina*'s Executive Director, Gregg Swanzey. Mayor Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. offered words of welcome along with the Consul General of Australia and Capt. Chris Blake of the *Endeavour*. Visitation aboard HM Bark *Endeavour* ranged from 200 to 400 people each day throughout the New Bedford visit.

Endeavour was built in Australia as a floating museum. She is a replica of **Capt. James Cook's** ship of Pacific Discovery of 1768 to 1771. **Sir Joseph Banks**, scientist, astonished Britain with the exotic animals and plants collected during the voyage. See **National Geographic November 1996** article.⌘

ERNESTINA MAKES CONNECTIONS

Ernestina set sail from New Bedford bound to Albany, NY through Long Island Sound 'round the Battery and up the North River (local name for the Hudson River) during late September and early October. Enroute she passed by 'Execution Rocks', the 'Spuyten Duyvil' (Dutch for 'spitting devil') and 'Storm King'! She passed through 'Hell Gate', the 'Horse Race' and 'World's End'. She stopped in ports along the way making new acquaintances and renewing old ones. Two very special stops were New Haven, CT and Yonkers, NY.

Excerpts from New Haven Register
"Nautical Family Reunion" by Randall Beach
Register Staff, Tuesday, Sept 29, 1998-

Serenaded by chantey singers and guided by crew members, dozens of eager landlubbers on Monday night gamely hauled and pulled on the weathered ropes of the historic fishing schooner Ernestina, raising its sails for an old-fashioned journey.

Ernestina, which arrived in New Haven Harbor Sunday afternoon, will be docked here through Friday. Monday's public sail was such a success-drawing 70 happy sailors-that a second night has been added on Wednesday.

Nobody was more content to be on board than Richard Forsey of Clinton, a former captain in the U.S. Merchant Marine whose uncle, Capt. Bob Bartlett, regularly piloted the schooner to the Arctic Circle.

Forsey recalled climbing all over the vessel when he was seven and his uncle had it docked in Nova Scotia. "I haven't seen it since Newport in 1982," Forsey said. "It looks much more shipshape now."

Ernestina's visit sparked a nautical family reunion, as nine members of the Forsey family joined the outing. Looking up at the old mast, Forsey said, "It's sort of in the family."

Excerpts from Connecticut Post
"Pier into the Past" by Linda G. Mele, Correspondent
Monday, Sept 28, 1998-

Of the 50 or so people who came to see the Schooner Ernestina sail into the choppy waters of New Haven Harbor Sunday, Jack Antunes had a very special reason to be there.

About 80 years ago, his grandparents Joaquim and Ignacia Antunes sailed from the Cape Verde Islands to America aboard the 104-year-old vessel when they emigrated to America.

The couple were two of more than 40,000 people who came to America from the islands off the coast of Africa between 1860 and the 1960s on a trip that took 35 to 40 days, according to the ship's anthropologist and maritime historian, Traudi Coli.

The Antunes family settled in New Bedford, MA and Jack Antunes came to New Haven about 28 years ago. He is a retired New Haven police officer.

Sunday, Antunes brought his wife, Yanna, and their three sons John, 11, Justin, 3, and Sean, 5 months, to the Long Wharf Pier to see the ship dock.

"I remember my grandmother telling me stories about coming over on the ship," Antunes said, "and wanted to see it because it's a part of my family's history."

"It's hard to imagine they crossed the ocean in it," Antunes said. "I know I'd be scared."

Antunes didn't have to wait too long to see the ship. When Coli discovered his grandparents were former passengers, she gave the whole family a private tour.

Ernestina's host while in New Haven was Schooner Sound Learning (formerly Schooner, Inc.), the New Haven-based nonprofit educational organization. She sailed in company with their flagship, Quinnipiak.

Excerpts from Westchester NY Register
"Historic Ship to Dock in Yonkers"
by Len Maniaca, Staff Writer
October 2, 1998-

The Ernestina will be docking in Yonkers at the invitation of the Beczak Environmental Center in the city. Its visit coincides with the Hudson Heritage Festival, a series of events along Westchester's waterfront.

Louis Martins, a 50-year-old from Yonkers who was born in Cape Verde, off the coast of Africa, is one of those awaiting the Ernestina's arrival.

"Almost every Cape Verdean knows the Ernestina. It was one of the few ships traveling between Cape Verde and the United States and one of the few remaining ways for our people to come to this country," Martins said.

Martins said he expects many from the area's small Cape Verdean community to turn out for the Ernestina's arrival.

Yonkers Pier, the berth for Ernestina while in Yonkers, has been restored and provides public access to the Hudson River as a rejuvenation of the waterfront takes place. We hope to make an annual trip through Long Island Sound and up the Hudson in the Fall of each year. ⌘

Organizational Partners

Azorean Maritime Heritage Society
Beczak Environmental Center, Yonkers, NY
Boy Scouts of America
Building Bridges Building Boats & Trevor Harris
Buzzards Bay Action Committee & Len Gonsalves
Children's Museum of Dartmouth
Coalition for Buzzards Bay
Dennision Memorial Cops & Kids Program
Downtown New Bedford, Inc.
Elderhostel
Elliot Community Services
Ernestina Morrissey Historical Association
Garden Club of Buzzards Bay
Humanities International
Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
Manon Natural History Museum
Martha Briggs Educational Club
MA Audubon
MA Envirothon
MA State Science Fair
New Bedford Art Museum
New Bedford Aquarium
New Bedford Historical Society
New Bedford Symphony Orchestra
New Bedford Whaling Museum
New England Aquarium
NEA Education Resource Center
Rockland County Bicentennial (NY)
Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum
Seamans Bethel
Schooner Sound Learning, (New Haven, CT)
Sound Waters (Stamford, CT)
Waterfront Historic Area League
Westport River Watershed Alliance

Maritime Partners

American Sail Training Association
Essex Shipbuilding Museum
Harvey Gamage Foundation
HMS *Bounty* Foundation
HM Bark *Endeavour* Foundation
Hudson River Maritime Museum, Kingston, NY
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater
International Yacht Restoration School, Newport, RI
Larinda and Larry Mahan
Maritime Museum of Fall River
Munson Institute
Mystic Seaport Museum
National Maritime Historical Society, Peekskill, NY
Northeast Maritime Institute in New Bedford
Schooner *Adventure*, Inc.
Sea Education Association
Sloop *Providence*
Steamship *Nobska*

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Ocean Spray Cranberries
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Preferred Health Services, Inc.
SouthCoast Hospitals Group
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Public Partners

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical HS
MA Department of Education
Massachusetts Environmental Trust
MA Maritime Academy
Massachusetts Watershed Initiative
National Park Service
New Bedford DPW
New Bedford Harbor Development Commission
New Bedford Harbormaster
New Bedford Local Cultural Council
New Bedford Public Schools
New Bedford Public Schools Transportation Office
New Bedford Waterfront Visitors Center
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Foundation Support

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Island Foundation

Dockage

Boston Redevelopment Authority-Pier 4
Brewer's Marine in Stamford, CT
Fan Pier at the Federal Court House-Boston
Gloucester State Pier
Heritage State Park, Fall River
Hudson River Maritime Museum, Kingston, NY
Long Wharf, City of New Haven
MA Maritime Academy
New York City Parks & Recreation Department
NYC 79th Street Boat Basin
Packer Marine, Inc., Vineyard Haven
Pemberton Pier in Hull, MA
Portland Yacht Services, ME
Provincetown Yacht Marina & Barry Clifford
Rowes Wharf Boston
Salem Maritime National Historic Site
Town of Stony Point, NY
USS Slater at Snow Dock, Albany, NY
Town of Wareham, Onset Pier
Waryas Park, City of Poughkeepsie, NY
Yonkers, NY City Pier

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Mimi Platzer
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Steve Sullwold
Mike Sylvia
Mary Walsh
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Mike Yorston & West Marine
Polly Zajac

New England Aquarium

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Collaborative programs originating at the New England Aquarium will explore the marine world on display at the Aquarium as well as out on Boston Harbor amongst the Harbor Islands and beyond aboard Ernestina. For the Summer Discovery Programs and a five- day "Schooner Adventure" on Ernestina July 19-23, 1999 call 617-973-5206 for info and registration.

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UMass Dartmouth, gave a lecture on accessing and utilizing the World Wide Web. Teams polished research questions before presentations to the rest of the group. "The data review provided a chance to compare and contrast findings. Once again collaboration is invaluable to self-contained classroom teachers. I marvel at the knowledge and expertise of every individual." "We have the work nailed down, even to sheets and maps....everything is falling into place....here comes the ship!"

Day 6: Everyone met at State Pier in New Bedford and boarded together. After stowing gear and an orientation session, Ernestina motored out of port across Buzzards Bay to Quicks' Hole. Sail was set enroute as Ernestina continued on for Great Round Shoal Channel northeast of Nantucket. The daily routine was set for the voyage including watch standing, plankton tows, otter trawls and chumming for sharks and fish. "Evening was calm, cool and moon-filled. Moon beams stream across the water, following the boat: a sight to be remembered."

Day 7: "I awakened at 6:25 to the excited 'A' watch crew on deck that just sighted whales and dolphins." As Ernestina rounded Cape Cod bound for Stellwagen Bank, the focus was on the many whale sightings enroute. The plankton tow pulled in amphipods, ctenophores, copepods, radiolarians and even a small hydromedusa. Afternoon classes on navigation and seabirds were completed before arrival in the anchorage off Provincetown for the night.

Day 8: Ernestina departed Provincetown harbor after a full morning exploring, sampling and recording data gathered from the adjacent beach and marsh near Woods End. The most pleasurable event for some was a morning swim call before weighing anchor for several stations in Cape Cod Bay. By late evening, Ernestina was passing through Cape Cod Canal. "The trip through Cape

100 Years Ago In *Ernestina* History:

In November 1898, Effie M. Morrissey went adrift from John F. Wonson's Gloucester, Massachusetts Wharf in a gale together with the *Meteor*, *Margaurite* and *Bill Franklin*. The schooners went ashore in Smith's Cove. The *Morrissey* was refloated with little damage, quickly repaired and sailed on to Newfoundland for the winter herring season under Captain John McInnis.

50 Years Ago in *Ernestina* History:

According to the New Bedford Standard-Times October 1, 1948:

Schooner Arrives at Cape Verde

The two-masted Schooner Effie M. Morrissey which left New Bedford August 18 for Cape Verde Islands and Dakar is safe in the islands after a 34-day voyage, it was learned today.

With no engine and only sails to provide momentum, the 100 foot schooner had a peaceful voyage.

Mrs. May Mitte of 59 Kempton Street said she received a wire from Henrique Mendes, owner's agent aboard the vessel, telling her of the safe arrival of the vessel which carries 70 tons of food and clothing for island residents.

Mrs. Mitte said the Effie would leave the islands within the next week or two for New Bedford carrying cargo.

Upon reaching the islands, Henrique registered the schooner in Cape Verde, changed her name to *Ernestina* after his daughter and used her in inter-island trade before returning to Providence, RI later the next year.

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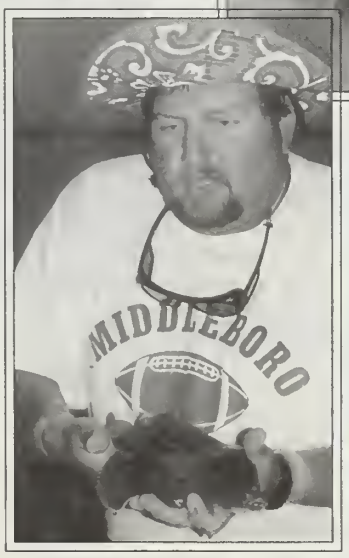

Cod Canal was totally incredible! A nearly full moon, flat calm, scuttling clouds, huge barges and assorted craft...It didn't seem Ernestina would fit under those bridges everyone held their breath!"

Day 9: The last day on Ernestina was spent collecting specimens and data for Buzzards Bay. "After breakfast and 'heads and soles' duty, we split into science teams." "Hopefully our work will come to fruition....then carry to our classrooms." "We sailed into New Bedford and it was good and bad to be back. I wanted to learn more, more, more, yet now it was time for me to move on and develop a program for the school."

Day 10: "We're back in the classroom at UMass Dartmouth rushing to collate, organize and present our findings. More striking than the biomass figures and nitrate counts was the evident camaraderie that had grown in four days at sea. There is a feeling of collegiality between teachers; the certain knowledge that despite the recent tide of slurs... against public education, accusations of teacher ignorance,... we had grown. We had proven ourselves professionals with our hearts, our minds, our knees and knuckles, banged heads, self-discipline, inner strength and unflinching cheerfulness in the face of discomfort." ⌘

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BARTLETT BOYS REUNITE
~AFTER MORE THAN FIFTY YEARS~

As many know, Schooner Ernestina, launched as the Effie M. Morrissey in 1894, is currently maintaining a full schedule under an educational mission serving thousands of teachers and students annually. In a previous incarnation, during her arctic expeditionary period, she provided young seafarers with inspiration under the command of Robert A. Bartlett.

Capt. Bartlett skippered the Morrissey from 1925 until his death in 1946, completing twenty annual northern expeditions. On each voyage the Morrissey was manned by his professional crew of Newfoundlanders along with a cadre of scientists and adventurers for an odyssey to the edge of the polar region (the 1940 trip reached 80 degrees 22 minutes north) including a contingent of enthusiastic greenhands: teenage boys who came to be known as "Bartlett Boys."

On July 6, 1998 there was a reunion of "Bartlett Boys" and friends in New Bedford, homeport of the Schooner Ernestina ex-Effie M. Morrissey. Fred Littleton, for many years at the forefront of Ernestina preservation efforts and ex-commissioner, organized the gathering through the Massachusetts Schooner Ernestina Commission.

Those who showed up for the overnight sail out to Marthas Vineyard included Ed Peary & Peggy Stafford (1932), grandson of Admiral Robert E. Peary; David & Barbara Nutt (1937-1940), scientist; Gary McClure (1939) & grandson Jared Bard; Austen Colgate (1940); George Hodge (1940); Jim & Marge Pond (1940); John Pitcairn (1940); and Fred Littleton (1940). Also attending was Bruce Simmons, cousin of Capt. Bartlett, along with Laurie & Jeff Miller traveling from Canada.

Festivities began with a reception and dinner at Queequeg's Restaurant atop the historic Bourne Counting House on the New Bedford waterfront. With her topmasts shining in the glow of the sunset and her banner flying in the summer breeze, Schooner Ernestina presided over a happy scene of renewed acquaintance and fond remembrance. The current staff of Schooner Ernestina were on hand to trade stories aboard one of the world's most historic operating ships. Toasts were raised to Capt. Bartlett, who so many times saved the schooner from the perils of the frozen north; and to Capt. Henrique Mendes, who refitted the vessel after a disastrous fire in 1948 and put her into service as a trans-Atlantic Cape Verdean packet.

Ernestina lay at dockside overnight the first night with most aboard, getting underway for Vineyard Haven after a reorientation to the ship operation. A light southwesterly brought the ship into Vineyard Sound, heading for Packer Marine dock (also known as Tisbury Wharf) and alongside for the evening. After an evening fare served up by Laurie Weitzen, ship's steward, all stepped ashore for a walk through town for ice cream.

As night fell over the island, the "Bartlett Boys" retired to their bunks without fear of iceberg or arctic blast ~ often a threat during the Bartlett expeditions of the 30's and 40's. The next morning after a tasty breakfast at the Black Dog Tavern, the reunion crew set sail for a pleasant run past Tarpaulin Cove, through Quicks' Hole and home to New Bedford.

After more than half a century the hardy gang of "Bartlett Boys" had once more sailed Captain Bob's beloved 'little Morrissey' back into port. The wake of the schooner, trailing back into the most indelible scenes of their early lives, was now a few miles longer. ⌘

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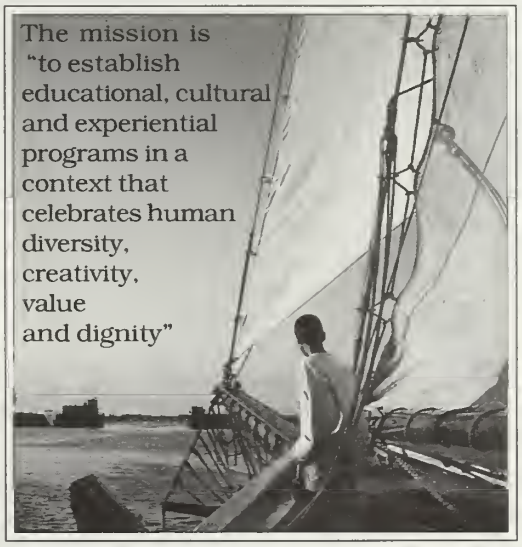

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Why become an Ernestina member?

Help with the grassroots support for this important project

Contributions from members and friends of the ship create the solid foundation necessary for a healthy organization. Your support will help spread the word and increase the membership base, leverage other kinds of support, both public and private, and confirm a vote of confidence for the valuable role the ship plays in preserving our heritage and educating our children.

Keep informed and spread the good news about ERNESTINA's programs

Communication is essential to any grassroots, people-to-people organization such as Ernestina. The Ernestina Newsletter, Log of a Record Run, will keep you updated regarding schedule, special events, programs, and community projects. You can also find updates at the web site at http://www.ernestina.org/

Take advantage of wonderful opportunities for yourself as an active participant aboard Schooner ERNESTINA

ENJOY SAILING ON ERNESTINA and support her important work by becoming an active "Crew Member" Each year hundreds of citizens of all ages sail aboard ERNESTINA as she moves along the coast. Rather than sail light handed between ports as ERNESTINA travels to deliver her programs, berths are available to members who would like to haul along side the full time crew. During transit sails from New Bedford to Boston, Boston to Gloucester, up the Narragansett to Fall River and Providence, out to Cape Cod and the islands, ERNESTINA regularly has a number of members on board. People of all ages are welcome to lend a hand!

You can take advantage of this great opportunity to "hand, reef and steer" aboard one the most historic ships afloat! As a Crew Member you will receive the ERNESTINA Newsletter which includes ERNESTINA's sailing and program schedule, including Member Sail Opportunities. Look for this symbol: ** on the schedule. By simply calling the ERNESTINA office, you can reserve your place on the member crew list for any of these Member Sail Opportunities. Members may sail as many times as they wish during the course of the year. Typically up to fifty berths are available for each coastal passages.

ERNESTINA MAKES BOSTON GLOBE!

The Sunday Globe carried the article, *Aboard the Ernestina*, in the Learning Section on September 20, 1998 by staff writer Gloria Negri. We are pleased to say the story captured the essence of education aboard the historic schooner and portrayed the depth of the staff and volunteers that make it work.

The featured program was with Outdoor Explorations, a Medford-based organization with a mission to bring together people of all different abilities and disabilities, including people with cognitive, physical, and sensory disability, and give them the opportunity to really challenge themselves in the "greatest part of life, the outdoors." ⌘

Log of a Record Run is published quarterly and distributed to ERNESTINA membership as well as partner organizations, institutions and educators. Articles about educational, maritime and preservation activities are welcome and will be considered for publication. **Send articles to editor@ernestina.org or fax to: 508-984-7719.**

Schooner ERNESTINA is owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and operated by a commission placed in the Department of Environmental Management and appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellucci. Enabling legislation allows ERNESTINA to receive funds from sources both public and private in order to support its mission. **The homeport is New Bedford, MA with offices on New Bedford State Pier.** ⌘

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The Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission is a nine member agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts enabled by legislation found in Chapter 6 of the General Laws signed by Governor William Weld January 13, 1994. The Commission is placed in the Department of Environmental Management and includes designees of Commissioner Peter Webber of DEM, Commissioner David Driscoll of the Department of Education and Ms. Mary Jane McKenna, Director of Office of Travel and Tourism and six other residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The commissioners are appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellucci.

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Letter from the Director

Tuning the Rig: Now, there is an old technique that is used mainly on sailing vessels. When the bosun goes from stays to shrouds and back again adjusting the tension for an equal strain to the "standing" rigging that supports the masts, he or she plucks the wire with a sharp pull and release. Just as a string on a fine violin vibrates at a certain rate, so too the rigging of the ship. ~Equal vibration with equal strain~

The stays spread the strain fore and aft; the shrouds distribute it athwartship to the sides of the hull; the masts push down on top of the keel. When we set sail the halyards and sheets send the forces of the wind through the sails on to the standing rigging that supports the masts. Forces do not end at the deck but are transmitted on to move our 250 tons through the water.

The stresses on the rigging of a sailing vessel must be kept in balance for, if they were not, undue strain might push a component past its limits. Besides, a well tuned ship sails at its best.

We look forward to the winter for "tuning" Schooner Ernestina. Education staff are working on our *scope and sequence* so that we may be better equipped to serve public schools in implementing the Curriculum Frameworks. Programs are expanding ashore to include after-school programs and programs for youth so we can better serve the community. Plans are developing for public programs to serve a wider audience and create another destination as part of the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park. Even our web site is getting an overhaul so that we may better serve our cyber-audience worldwide.

Just as with the tuning of the ship's rig, we know that no single problem can be viewed in isolation. And the remedy is to tune all the rig. It is a natural part of the process that we go from stays to shrouds and back again as we fine tune our ship.

Plant yourself on deck and help us tune! ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

The cover is a black and white image of a painting of Schooner Ernestina by Ken Cabral of Providence, RI. Ken is an artist who sails as relief steward aboard the ship regularly. He is working to bring artists together through a new magazine and special events in Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts. Give him a call at 401-272-1016 if you are interested in his gallery or creative projects using the Schooner Ernestina. ⌘

Viva Ernestina, 105th Birthday Celebration

It was a grand gala for one of New Bedford's oldest residents ~ "Viva Ernestina!" Schooner Ernestina's 105th birthday party, was held Saturday, February 6, 7pm, in the Lagoda Room of the New Bedford Whaling Museum. The evening was attended by some 155 merry-makers and included a dinner buffet. Party-goers danced to The *New Orleans Connection*, a popular New Bedford five-piece jazz ensemble. Proceeds from the festivities benefited Schooner Ernestina's preservation and educational programs

Executive Director Gregg Swanzey spoke to the crowd recognizing the support of local, regional and state level legislators and administrative officials. Those in attendance included New Bedford Mayor Fred Kalisz, State Representative George Rogers, who also serves on the New Bedford City Council, Janet Lebel, representing U.S. Senator John Kerry and Lola Andrade from Congressman Barney Frank's office. Gregg made special mention of the continuing work this past year of all the Schooner Ernestina Commission. Commissioners Peter Lawrence, Pauline Macedo, Bettina Borders and John Braman were saluted from the podium. He also extended thanks to the many volunteer helpers and friends of the ship, especially those involved in the preparation of the "Viva Ernestina!" festivities.

See VIVA ERNESTINA! cont on pg 4

Celebrate the Centennial!

The MA State Forests and Parks System can trace its beginnings back to June 20, 1898 when the state legislature established Mt. Greylock State Reservation in Northern Berkshire County.

WINTER 98/99: ~ERNESTINA DOESN'T SLOW DOWN~

Winter is here. One might think it was a time for resting up after a busy year in 1998. Not so.... We have been working on several interesting projects and pulling in some funding to expand into new areas.

Back in December most of the Schooner *Ernestina* staff went through an intensive ten-day Marine/Wilderness First Responder Course provided by SOLO based in Conway, NH and hosted by the Northeast Maritime Institute in New Bedford. Not only did we dramatically increase our capacity to handle emergency situations at sea but were able to offer *Ernestina* members a special learning opportunity.

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66 Spring Street
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We have been seeking comments on our on-line survey from *Ernestina*'s website (if you haven't found it yet, have a look at http://www.ernestina.org/). We are gathering feedback as we work with representatives from two well-known software and communication companies to develop Schooner *Ernestina*'s on-line capacity to serve teachers, students, members and others. The most popular request is for real-time data and position information direct from the schooner. We are also looking into an on-line gallery, bulletin board and ready reference folders.

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Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance

Partnerships are paying off in many areas: Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL) is implementing an array of projects in the Acushnet and Paskamanset watersheds as a result of funding from the Massachusetts Environmental Trust and the *Watershed Initiative* of the MA Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. SEEAL is administered through the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts. As Carl Ribeiro, chair of CFSM, stated at a recent press conference, "SEEAL sets the standard by which other partnerships and collaboratives are judged." Ernestina has a dozen dockside programs and daysails in April and May as part of this collaboration.

Project RAP has been funded by *Youth Entitled to Success* (YES), a project of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts. Schooner *Ernestina* is matched up with *Project COACH*, *Cognosco* and *Positively Youth* to work with youth in the community in New Bedford.

Partners in the Park, collaborators in the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, once again pulled together a proposal for the third year of *Portraits of a Port* Summer Institute for teachers. A *SEA Connections* Summer Institute also went in to the Department of Education through the New Bedford Schools from Lloyd Center, UMASS Dartmouth and Schooner *Ernestina* through the services of Pandion Consulting. Our Summer Institutes have been funded by the Department of Education.

Massachusetts State Science Fair winners will once more get a chance to sail with their families aboard Schooner Ernestina from Fan Pier at the Federal Court House Building in Boston May 19th and 21st. These sails plus a sail offered to Envirothon winners are two examples of Ernestina's use in support of programs that advance the learning of Math, Science and the Environment in the state. ⌘

MASSACHUSETTS STATE SCIENCE FAIR INC

VIVA ERNESTINA! cont from pg 3

Shirley and Joseph Cabral of Nantucket traveled perhaps the farthest to attend the fete. They are members of the Sons and Daughters of Nantucket, a Cape Verdean-American civic group that always extends a warm welcome when Ernestina makes a visit to the historic island. The Cabral's made good use of the dance floor and enjoyed visiting with friends and relatives during the evening, including Mrs. Dominga Lobo, mother of long-time Schooner Ernestina volunteer and supporter, Tim Lobo.

The party was replete with vivid images of Schooner Ernestina. Leonard Brainsky's model was prominently displayed center stage while historical movie footage, video tapes and two continuous slide shows were projected silently overhead onto the sails of the Bark Lagoda replica. One corner of the Lagoda Room was given over to New Bedford artist Robert Duff's spectacular series of paintings featuring Schooner Ernestina. The entire scene was framed by grand splashes of yellow, red and green provided by Ernestina's two huge banners.

Ernestina's own chief steward, Laurie Weitzen, did the preliminary culinary planning for the event and the elegant ethnic buffet was coordinated by Ernestina volunteers Polly Zajac and Louise Andrade.

Louise also served as the event's head Cape Verdean chef. Other volunteers assisting in the production of the feast were: Ken Cabral, Joe Andrade, Kim Andrade, Mary Walsh, Emily Johns and Mary Wagner. Ernestina staffers standing watch included Andrea Parrish, Chris Newlan, Annie McDowell and Tom Goux. The menu for Ernestina's 105th birthday party presented dishes reminiscent of each era of the historic vessel's long, multicultural existence.

The Gloucester era food station offered fishcakes, hearty breads and chowder, evoking the early years, when Ernestina sailed out of Gloucester as the Effie M. Morrissey along with hundreds of similar Grand Bank fishing schooners. Many thanks to Jim Slattery for donating plenty of fresh fish! Special treats on this table included Fred Sterner's beans - both baked and dill - and Sophie Morse's commendable coleslaw.

Entrees from the Cape Verdean tradition were also presented, symbolic of 30 years service as a Cape Verdean packet. This splendid spread got spectacular advance billing in an extensive newspaper article by New Bedford Standard-Times Food Editor, Joanna McQuillan Weeks. The Cape Verdean bill of fare included jagacida, manchupa, canja and pastels de peixe.

The schooner's famous arctic expeditionary career had a culinary commemoration at the dessert table with frozen delights accompanying an ice bergsized Schooner Ernestina birthday cake, specially created for the event by New Bedford's Homlyke Bakery. Everyone was delighted with the ample board and the substantial left over food was delivered to the Market Ministries Shelter in New Bedford immediately following the affair.

The happy crowd reveled to the toe-tapping repertoire of The New Orleans Connection throughout the evening. Other musical offerings during the party included folk and traditional sets from Ernestina's maritime musician friends, The Rum Soaked Crooks, Compass Rose and local favorites, The Beans. Tom Goux led a spirited rendition of his composition "Song for Ernestina" with all hands joining in the chorus. Toasts were raised throughout the evening in honor the venerable vessel. Cabo Video's Ed Andrade was on the scene with his camera crew, as was "MC" himself from New Bedford's cable MCTV.

A good time was had by all and the success of "Viva Ernestina!" establishes it as an annual, winter event for the Schooner Ernestina Commission. Already talking about next year's soiree, participants were full of great ideas for an even more festive, inclusive celebration. ⌘

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~Calendar~

FEBRUARY

6 Blue Whale Tales
& Ernestina's Birthday Party
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13 Project RAP 9am-4pm
A joint project of Project COACH, Cognosco, Positively Youth and Schooner Ernestina with Stephen Cabral, Ph.D., project director, funded by "Youth Entitled to Succeed," a project of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts.

26-27 Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Environmental Symposium
Workshops for High School students and tabling for organizations.

MARCH

16 Massachusetts Marine Educators
Marine Science Symposium
Workshops for High School students and tabling for organizations offered at UMASS Dartmouth

22 Schooner Ernestina Re-rigging begins

25-28 National Science Teachers Association
Conference in Boston

APRIL

3 Project RAP 9am-4pm

5-9 "Working on the Water"
Dockside Programs
Programs for fourth graders funded by the Island Foundation and collaborative with the New Bedford Whaling Museum.

12-16 "Watershed to the Bay"
Dockside Programs
Programs for third graders funded by the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts, Massachusetts Environmental Trust and Watershed Initiative in collaboration with the Coalition for Buzzards Bay, Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies, Westport River Watershed Alliance and Buzzards Bay Action Committee.

17 Woods Hole Model Boat Show
Ernestina models built by the 4-H after-school program participants on display.

19-23 Staff Training

20 State House Reception
An annual reception in the Nurses Hall in the State House with legislators, commissioners and a special Ernestina cake from Homelyke Bakery.

25 Earth Day
Parade and presentations Wings Court to Tonnessen Park in New Bedford. Tabling and music at the YMCA. 11am-4pm.

30 SEEAL High School Sail
Ernestina underway season begins.

30-1 May Science Fair Awards
Science Fair winners gather at MIT in Cambridge for Awards.

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Summer Discovery Program

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~Call for high school age applicants~
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Collaborative programs originating at the New England Aquarium will explore the marine world on display at the Aquarium as well as out on Boston Harbor amongst the Harbor Islands and beyond aboard Ernestina. The program includes a five- day "Schooner Adventure" on Ernestina.

Call 617-973-5206 for info and registration. ⌘

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ELDERHOSTELERS Sail Before the Mast

Boston, MA-June / July 1999

Schooner Ernestina is proud to once again offer two weeklong Elderhostel programs originating in Boston in June 21-25 and July 12-16. Participants visit Massachusetts Bay seaports such as Salem, Gloucester and Provincetown. A new feature of the plan for this year is a stop at Shoals Marine Lab on Appledore Island in the Isles of Shoals. Participants receive a full dose of the maritime experience by shipping aboard as reg'lar crew to stand watch 'before the mast.' This educational experience is offered through Humanities International in Boston.

Berths may fill rapidly due to great demand. Call the Schooner Ernestina office for any questions. Registration is through Humanities International. Please write or call today to let them know you are interested! Write to Elderhostel at 75 Federal Street, Boston, MA 02110-1941 or call 617-426-8056. ⌘

Seasonal musings:

With 105 years and hundreds of thousands of miles of water under her keel Ernestina has countless stories to tell. Each season tales from her past unfold while new stories are created. There seem to be no end to the stories told as a sailing season progresses. The little known facts found below highlight Ernestina's new-found past as well as the 1998 sailing season

- Captain Robert Bartlett, Skipper of the *Effie M. Morrissey* from 1926-1946 was the first non-athlete to appear on the cover of a Wheaties box. He was 50 years old in 1926!

- In 1928 Ernestina was pulled over by the US Coast Guard from Wood's Hole while on a trip from Cape Breton to City Island, NY en route to the pacific....under suspicion of rum running. Of course there was no rum aboard and in a short time the vessel was released.

- Ernestina's oldest passenger was undoubtedly Mrs. Marie Santos, who after 45 years in New Bedford returned to her native Fogo, Cape Verde Islands aboard the schooner Ernestina in December of 1956 at the age of 104.

- It IS possible for a single lobster pot to anchor the 250-ton schooner Ernestina while under full sail in the Gulf of Maine!

- The only two remaining arctic exploration schooners discovered each other this season on Cape Cod Bay. The *Ernestina* and *Bowdoin* have both logged many miles in arctic waters on voyages of exploration and discovery. The *Bowdoin* is also now used as an educational vessel with Maine Maritime Academy. The meeting of the schooners was a tribute to days gone by and to the future of each vessel.

- Captain Amanda Madeira is the first female Captain to take the helm of the Ernestina. She is also the first woman to lodge in the New Bedford Seaman's Bethel!

- While doing repairs on Ernestina's hull, it takes ships carpenters longer to remove a hull plank than to put a new one on. The planks used on Ernestina's hull are white oak and southern yellow "hard" pine. Each plank is roughly 3 inches thick, 12 inches wide, and 30 feet long. At 6 pounds per board foot, each plank weighs approximately 540 pounds. Multiplying 540 pounds per plank by 250 planks means that Ernestina's outer hull alone weighs 135,000 pounds!

- Battling sea monsters may be the only way to pile more fame on our heralded ship. This season Ernestina's supremacy of the seas was challenged by the dreaded Salps of Gloucester harbor. During one weekend in Gloucester these creatures managed to mass in sufficient number to overwhelm and clog Ernestina's sea water systems and make the waters of Gloucester harbor look like thick iridescent soup. Fortunately the ship and her crew prevailed against the hordes and finished her season in fine fashion!

- Leon Poindexter, ship's carpenter, has weekly conversations with Robert Bartlett! They generally converse about cutting lumber for use in the shipbuilding industry. Robert, incidently cut several timbers for Ernestina in 1998. Suuurrrreee, Leon, we believe you.⌘

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City of New Bedford Awards Ernestina After-School Program Funds

Three days a week through the rest of the school year Ernestina staff will go to the Junior High Schools of New Bedford for several hours of activities for ten-student teams from each school. The activities are developed with the academic goals of the schools in mind. Students will also get out of the classroom and down to the waterfront for some collaborative programs with the New Bedford Rowing Club and a Sail on the venerable schooner as well.

We thank the city and Mayor Kalisz for extending the after-school funds to organizations working hard for the young people of the community. ⌘

Schooner Ernestina Seeks Space in the Historic District

An RFR is now out as of early February seeking 1500 square feet for lease for administrative and visitor space for Schooner Ernestina in the vicinity of the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park!

The staff are bursting our office/ trailer at its aluminum seams and the move will come just in time.

We envision the space to be used as a gallery and reception area for visitors to the Park as well as workspace for continuing after-school program.

Ernestina archival material will find a better home and become more accessible to teachers and historians of all ages.

Stay Tuned! ⌘

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100 Years Ago in *Morrissey* History:

Captain John McInnis sailed the Effie M. Morrissey to Newfoundland for the winter herring season of 1898-1899. Her cargo was sold to New York and she was sailed there by Rod McIntosh. Capt. John McInnis had her dory handlining for the 1899 season. ⌘

75 Years Ago In *Morrissey* History:

Harold Bartlett of Brigus, Newfoundland purchased the Effie M. Morrissey in 1914 from Nova Scotian owners. He owned her for about ten years before selling her to his cousin, Robert A. Bartlett in 1925. 75 years ago in 1924, the Effie M. Morrissey was laying neglected in Halifax Harbor. ⌘

50 Years Ago in *Ernestina* History

According to the New Bedford Standard-Times on August 8, 1949:

> **Cape Verdean Packet Comes to Providence** *The Schooner Effie M. Morrissey came into port this weekend, nearly a year after she had left New Bedford, MA for the Cape Verdean Islands with a cargo of clothing and food for island residents.*
>
> *Things have changed in that year. The Effie is now the Ernestina. Her name was changed while she carried on inter-island trade through the Winter and Spring.*
>
> *The Ernestina, owned by Henrique Mendes of 59 Kempton Street, New Bedford and the Cape Verde Islands left Dakar about 55 days ago. Aboard when she docked here at State Pier were five passengers for the islands who claim U.S. citizenship. A cargo of tobacco, 12 casks of it, is also aboard the two-masted vessel.*
>
> *The Ernestina was fitted for the packet trade last Summer. The auxiliary was removed and the vessel travels only by sail.* ⌘

25 Years Ago in *Ernestina* History:

In 1972, Alberto Lopes spent 807,500 escudos repairing the bottom of Ernestina. A great deal of her frames, keel sections and hull timbers were renewed, and the hull sheathed with aluminum sheeting below the waterline. On April 6, 1972 he set sail for Fogo, but ran into a dangerous fog. He lost his bearings and tacked back and forth looking for the lighthouse of Fogo which was frequently out of operation. The sea was extremely rough and when he finally spotted Brava, he was unable to enter the harbor of Furna. He reached Vale dos Cavaleiros (Fogo) with a great deal of difficulty. He tried to return to Sao Vicente but again there was reduced visibility and in the high winds he dared only to keep one sail up. He ran out of fuel and was drifting southwest in the strong current. Finally, the ship, *Fogo*, spotted the Ernestina and brought sufficient fuel to continue on to Sao Vicente.

Alberto Lizardo then took over as master of the vessel. The Ernestina continued to sail until 1974. According to several marine surveyors who viewed her, she was "in good condition" and "well fitted out for trading between the islands of the Cape Verde group." However, her sails and rigging were in poor condition and there was still a pernicious leak around the propeller shaft.

When Alberto Lopes acquired a freighter and the colonial government had purchased several vessels, the Ernestina began to be used less and less. Her usefulness as an inter-island packet ship was finished.

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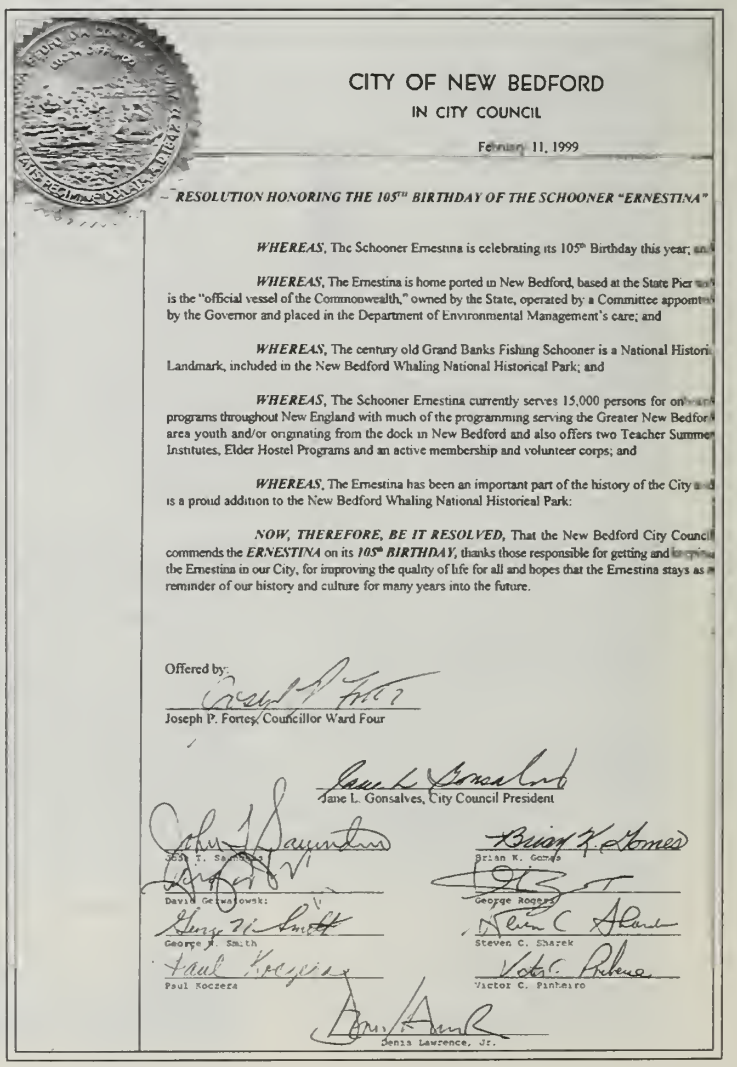
In the late nineteen sixties interest arose in the United States to save the historic vessel. Henrique Mendes had always hoped the vessel would return once more to the United States and retire with honor in the land of her birth. Approaches were made to acquire her for the South Street Seaport Museum in New York and later for Bartlett Exploration Association of Philadelphia. Harry Dugan and the Exploration Association of Philadelphia made several offers to buy the ship from Alberto Lopes in 1972, 1975 and 1976. ⌘



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

February 11, 1999

RESOLUTION HONORING THE 105TH BIRTHDAY OF THE SCHOONER "ERNESTINA"

WHEREAS, The Schooner Ernestina is celebrating its 105th Birthday this year; an

WHEREAS, The Ernestina is home ported in New Bedford, based at the State Pier an is the "official vessel of the Commonwealth," owned by the State, operated by a Committee appointe by the Governor and placed in the Department of Environmental Management's care; and

WHEREAS, The century old Grand Banks Fishing Schooner is a National Histori Landmark, included in the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park; and

WHEREAS, The Schooner Ernestina currently serves 15,000 persons for on programs throughout New England with much of the programming serving the Greater New Bedfor area youth and/or originating from the dock in New Bedford and also offers two Teacher Summe Institutes, Elder Hostel Programs and an active membership and volunteer corps; and

WHEREAS, The Ernestina has been an important part of the history of the City a is a proud addition to the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the New Bedford City Council commends the ***ERNESTINA*** on its ***105th BIRTHDAY,*** thanks those responsible for getting and the Ernestina in our City, for improving the quality of life for all and hopes that the Ernestina stays as reminder of our history and culture for many years into the future.

Offered by:

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Ernestina's 4-H Kids Are Back!

Even though the Ernestina has stopped sailing for the winter, community outreach projects and teaching programs continue on. The Ernestina 4-H Club is back again for a third year of Friday afternoon meetings. These occur throughout the school year. In the warmer fall weather, the kids started out by learning how to lower the dories from the deck of the Schooner and row in New Bedford harbor. Ernestina's onboard educators Andrea Parrish and Chris Newlan led this. Other schooner related autumn activities included working in the spar shed with the educators and volunteer crew member Jason Mailey producing a new set of baggie-wrinkles for Ernestina's rig. As part of their exploration of New Bedford's historic waterfront district, they have been following the progress of the cleaning and reassembling of the Blue Whales skeleton at the Whaling Museum.

When the holidays approached, the 4-Hers went caroling through downtown New Bedford and were well received at the Senior Center, the Post Office, the YMCA, City Hall and the Standard Times Building. Now that the weather has turned colder, projects have been moved inside where the group is constructing a third generation of Schooner Ernestina scale models. Each year the youngsters have brought a fathomless enthusiasm and energy to this endeavor. In 1999, they are adding new features and inventing new ways to create a more life-like and intricate replica using simple materials and lots of ingenuity. Ernestina staff have designed a kit for the model's keel and frame construction and authored user-friendly, step-by-step directions available now to teachers for classroom use.

Stay tuned to "The Log of the Record Run" newsletter for continuing updates about our great Friday after-school group and their mini-Ernestinas. ⌘

ERNESTINA MEETS ARTHUR ON WGBH TV2

Here's the cast for the Arthur show. We'd like to thank Polly Pimentel Zajac for pulling this gang together and arranging for the filming. Thanks to WGBH for spending a day with us!

Look for Schooner Ernestina on WGBH-TV, Channel 2
Kids swab the decks on
"ARTHUR" Episode #315
March 5, June 4, Sept 5
@ 4:30 pm
March 6, June 5, Sept 6
@ 8:00 am

Staff Profiles

Andrea Parrish is education director. She comes to ERNESTINA with extensive background in organizational effectiveness, counseling and leadership, has an undergraduate degree from University of Minnesota in Human Services and Juvenile Corrections and a graduate degree from City University/Leadership Institute of Seattle in Applied Behavioral Sciences. Her past experiences include management of school based mental health services, a community networks program, and therapeutic adventure services. She developed and managed a wooden boat program for inner city youth with involvement in the criminal justice and mental health systems in Seattle, WA. Andrea is an active member of the Association of Experiential Education. (AEE) ⌘

Chris Newlan is onboard program coordinator. He comes to Ernestina with a BS in Biology from St. Mary's College in Maryland and additional course work from Southern Connecticut State University. His previous experience includes work with Schooner Sound Learning, Inc., a New Haven, CT based estuarine education program that serves thousands of school children annually. He has also developed a course in sub-tropical marine ecology at the Bermuda Biological Station for Research for high school students. He was named Connecticut Outdoor and Environmental Education Association Educator of the Year in 1997. ⌘

Capt. Jeff Stone is leaving Ernestina after serving aboard since spring of 1996. He has taken the ship safely through almost 10,000 miles and tackled some critical projects for the ship including two major haul-outs. We appreciate his abilities as captain and his ever present sense of humor. ⌘

"The Odyssey of the Brava Packet, Ernestina"

The Schooner Ernestina Commission has received a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, via the New Bedford Local Cultural Council, to develop and print a survey of the recent history of the ship from Cape Verdean Packet through today, as official vessel of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

On-site fact-finding, off-site research and interviews have been conducted to gather information and photographic evidence to create a timeline and narrative with photographic documentation describing the years between 1947 and 1999 in the history of Schooner Ernestina. A booklet will be published that concentrates on Schooner Ernestina's years as a Brava packet through the present day, including her reconstruction in Cape Verde, gifting to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and restoration. This information will be incorporated into the history section of Schooner Ernestina's web site at http://www.ernestina.org/

Several key individuals have been contacted for the research including experts in Cape Verdean packet trade, a United Nations representative, primary historical sources, non-profit organizational members active during the acquisition, gifting and restoration and original Commission members of the Schooner Ernestina Commission.

The principal investigator is Waltraud Coli, who has gathered relevant information on related subjects for approximately 10 years. Traudi holds a graduate degree from Rhode Island College's African and Afro-American Studies Program where she studied the history and culture of the Cape Verde Islands with a special interest in the sailing packet trade.

Dr. Laura Pires-Hester has extensive experience as educator and researcher including her dissertation: A Study of Cape Verdean-American Ethnic Development: The Emergence of Bilateral Diaspora Ethnicity and its Impact in a Southeastern New England Locality (1994) and was the National Chairperson of Friends of Ernestina/Morrissey, 1976-1983.

Michael Platzer has traveled extensively in Africa as program officer at the United Nations and was program director for the effort to restore the Ernestina in the late 1970's.

Joli Gonsalves, who recently passed away, is founder of the Cape Verdean Cultural Center, established to encourage awareness of ethnic values and install a sense of continuity, worth and self-image in the Cape Verdean community in New Bedford. ⌘

Schooner Ernestina Coloring Book

On-site fact finding, off-site research and interviews have been conducted to gather information about the schooner. Mary Walsh, retired principal of Hathaway School in New Bedford, is developing a coloring book documenting the schooner's four lives and developing the narrative that will draw on anecdotal stories, facts and images from Ernestina's archive while keeping an eye on the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in History/Social Science.

The target audience will be third grade school children and teachers. Ken Cabral, a professional artist, specializing in Cape Verdean scenes will produce the ink sketches for the body of the book with Robert Duff, a New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park-based artist, will offer a new painting to be used as the cover. This project is funded, in part, through a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council via the New Bedford Local Cultural Council. ⌘

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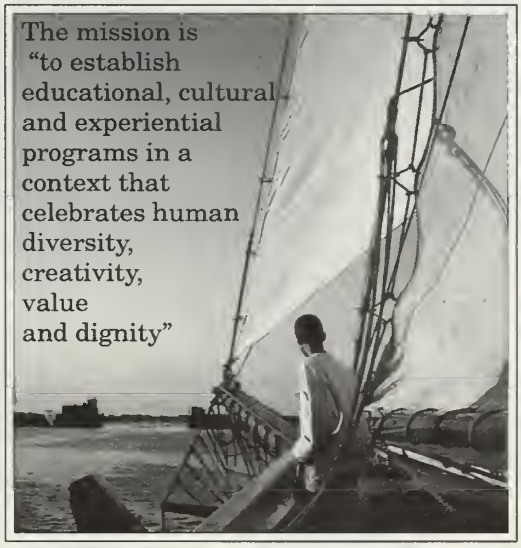

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Why become an Ernestina member?

Help with the grassroots support for this important project

Contributions from members and friends of the ship create the solid foundation necessary for a healthy organization. Your support will help spread the word and increase the membership base, leverage other kinds of support, both public and private, and confirm a vote of confidence for the valuable role the ship plays in preserving our heritage and educating our children.

Keep informed and spread the good news about ERNESTINA's programs

Communication is essential to any grassroots, people-to-people organization such as Ernestina. The Ernestina Newsletter, Log of a Record Run, will keep you updated regarding schedule, special events, programs, and community projects. You can also find updates at the web site at http://www.ernestina.org/

Take advantage of wonderful opportunities for yourself as an active participant aboard Schooner ERNESTINA

ENJOY SAILING ON ERNESTINA and support her important work by becoming an active "Crew Member" Each year hundreds of citizens of all ages sail aboard ERNESTINA as she moves along the coast. Rather than sail light handed between ports as ERNESTINA travels to deliver her programs, berths are available to members who would like to haul along side the full time crew. During transit sails from New Bedford to Boston, Boston to Gloucester, up the Narragansett to Fall River and Providence, out to Cape Cod and the islands, ERNESTINA regularly has a number of members on board. People of all ages are welcome to lend a hand!

You can take advantage of this great opportunity to "hand, reef and steer" aboard one the most historic ships afloat! As a Crew Member you will receive the ERNESTINA Newsletter which includes ERNESTINA's sailing and program schedule, including Member Sail Opportunities. Look for this symbol: ** on the schedule. By simply calling the ERNESTINA office, you can reserve your place on the member crew list for any of these Member Sail Opportunities. Members may sail as many times as they wish during the course of the year. Typically up to fifty berths are available for each coastal passages.

Log of a Record Run is published quarterly and distributed to ERNESTINA membership as well as partner organizations, institutions and educators. Articles about educational, maritime and preservation activities are welcome and will be considered for publication. **Send articles to editor@ernestina.org or fax to: 508-984-7719.**

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Letter from the Director

Here at Ernestina we are bracing for a great year.... Bracing is what the crew do when they haul and ease braces, the lines controlling the ends of the yards on square rigged ships. The yards are wooden spars that suspend the sails to the wind. As they are braced, square sails are oriented for more drive. Today we are 'bracing' to a stiff following breeze!

We are in the midst of identifying office and museum space in the historic district across Route 18 in the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park that will help raise the attractive places to visit in New Bedford to 'critical mass.' We will burst out of current office in a trailer on the pier and become a destination.

During the past several months the New Bedford Harbor Master Plan has been released with a five year goal of creating a center for the schooner's water-dependent education programs on the southwest corner of State Pier. We will go to work with our partners on the most effective ways to collaborate and link New Bedford with its harbor. We believe this is one of the most important components currently missing that would connect the National Park with the working waterfront.

We recently received news from Representative Tony Cabral's office that the Ernestina line in the State Budget would be $200,000 this year in response to our growth in both programs and level of private funds the ship is now able to attract. We appreciate the representative's lead role in putting the Ernestina Commission on a sound footing!

Senator Mark Montigny, Chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, is leading the Senate Budget process this May. The Senator has been a strong advocate for the schooner during her recent years of growth.

Schooner Ernestina is active with initiatives that will have significant impact on Southeastern Massachusetts including the Massachusetts Watershed Initiative, Regional Community Congress, Westport River Watershed Council and Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL). We are eager to collaborate on a Massachusetts Maritime Alliance to support preservation and protection of our great maritime heritage and resources.

It is an exciting time as we grow toward the next millennium! There are many ways to get involved. We hope you will join in support of the great ship Ernestina for, as we hope you will see, there are plenty of good reasons to do so.

Welcome aboard! ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

The cover is an enhanced black and white image of a photo taken during a 'Watershed to the Bay' dockside program with the Acushnet Elementary Schools this April. The project is funded by the Watershed Initiative of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs along with the Massachusetts Environmental Trust. It is sponsored by the Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL) under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts. ⌘

Ernestina Sails by her Mission

On the basis of our last Commission meeting and a Commission-lead initiative for development of the organization, we have identified a multi-faeeted strategy to get at some of the eore values important to Sehooner Ernestina and her mission.

Ernestina has already made important strides in the area of diversity edueation in the range of its program offerings to young people (both the able bodied and the physieally ehallenged), adults who serve young people, and the elderly - not to mention the inelusion of women in important positions on board ship and ashore.

The purpose of the this initiative in its first phase is to improve the representation of minorities on staff, partieularly Cape Verdean Amerieans and other persons of color, and also provide training for staff and the ship's erew. The aims are to 1) ereate a welcoming and sustaining environment for diversity on the staff, 2) to provide on-board edueators (the entire erew) with the skills and knowledge they need to beeome more expert in the delivery of edueational programs for diverse populations, and 3) have two interns in plaee by summertime. Other elements of an overall strategy will be implemented as we develop new facilities and other opportunities arise.

At this stage, diversity is broadly defined to inelude issues of differenee in raee, elass, eulture, physieal ability, gender, and sexual orientation. Ultimately, the Ernestina strives for a leadership position in the area of diversity edueation to mateh her proud history of multinational and multieultural history.

Between now and mid-July, there will be four professional development events involving the whole staff that will launeh the initiative:

Day 1: Communieations, Team Building and Organizational Issues
Day 2: Teaehing Teehniques for the Physically Challenged
Day 3: Diversity Training
Day 4: Cape Verdean Identity and the Pedagogy of Multieulturalism

The four programs will emphasize three domains of learning: knowledge and understanding; teaching teehniques and lesson planning; and strategies for relationship building.

Ernestina staff will reeeive training in order to more readily:

- ⌘ Antieipate the needs of students of different eultural and racial backgrounds
- ⌘ Make adjustments to the program on the basis of students' development needs and their eultural uniqueness
- ⌘ Identify issues that impede communieation between and among students and staff
- ⌘ Refine programs to eontain appropriate eontent and levels of ehallenge
- ⌘ Tailor lessons to mateh the readiness of the audienee and the eultural eontext of student's lives
- ⌘ Understand how their personal baekground influenees their pereeption of other people ⌘

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Regional Community Congress

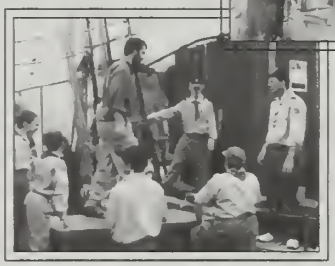
Maritime Heritage Day a Great Success!

Almost 2,000 people came down to the National Historical Park in New Bedford for great music, artisans and crafters during the 4th annual Maritime Heritage Festival on May 8. The weather held off while hundreds of people came aboard Ernestina to hear Gordon Bok, David Jones, Compass Rose, Holstock and MacLeod, and the Rum Soaked Crooks.

Ernestina offered activities including scrimshaw, fish painting, tools of the trade and travels into Ernestina's Cape Verdean heritage. Ken Ruffley told stories about the Cuttyhunk ferry, Alert 1, and how Schooner Ernestina's standard compass once rode the waters of Buzzards Bay in the pilot house of old Alert.

Louise, Joe and Kim Andrade came out from Cumberland, RI with delicious cachupa and fried dough along with donations from Colonial Bakery and Dunkin Donuts in Cumberland and Three Flags Portuguese Bakery in Central Falls, RI. Jim Slattery brought his famous fish chowder with six different species and a great taste. Boy Scout Troop 52 was down making sure all the visitors were safely aboard and ashore over Ernestina's gangway. We sincerely appreciate all their help on making the festival aboard Ernestina truly enjoyable for everyone.

We had another special treat. A Cape Verdean Band came aboard to visit for the day and played traditional Cape Verdean music on Ernestina just as they had done here as well as in Cape Verde years before. Everyone was up dancing as they improvised a new tune for Ernestina! Members of the band are Manuel Carlos Fortes, Idilio Fortes Viera (his father "N'ho DiDi" from Furna was crewman on board Ernestina for many years), Jose Fortes Viera (son of packet ship captain Elizell B. Neves and sailed between Cape Verde Islands on the 'Ernestina schoolbus'), Antonio DaGraca, David DaGraca, Manuel Goncalves, and Joao Pereira. These gentlemen stayed aboard to sail with SEEAL's NBHS Global Awareness Club from 4 to 7pm straight through the evening showers! You can't stop a good time! ⌘



Department of Education funds Ernestina activities again this year!

⌘ National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) Conference

Staff attended a three day conference in Boston with thousands of science teachers and educators from across the country to learn and network.

⌘ Science Fair Winners

Science Fair gives the state's top science students a chance to compete for college scholarships, awards, honors programs and a sail on board Schooner Ernestina!

⌘ Outdoor Explorations

Outdoor Explorations brings people together of all abilities, including individuals with cognitive, sensory, and physical disabilities, to protect and enjoy the natural environment. Call 781-395-4999 or TTY 781-395-4184 to inquire about OE lead experiences on Ernestina.

⌘ Printing Costs for Ernestina Ed Resources

"The Voyage of the Brava Packet Schooner Ernestina" will be published as a resource for teachers and students describing Ernestina's story as a trans-Atlantic packet, her gifting to the people of America and her evolution as the official vessel of the Commonwealth.

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Calendar

MAY

3 Greater New Bedford Vocational Tech HS
9am-1pm
4 New Bedford HS/ 9th Grade Science
9am-1pm
4 New Bedford Jr HS After-School Clubs
3-5pm
5 Greater New Bedford Vocational Tech HS
12 Grade Local History Classes
9am-2pm
5 Hawthorne Christian Academy
3-7pm
6 East Fairhaven 5th Grade
9-11am
7 Hanson Middle School
9am-1pm
7 **New Bedford Member Sail 5-8pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
8 New Bedford Whaling Natl Hist Park
Maritime Heritage Day 12noon-4pm
Schooner Ernestina at Tonnessen Park
8 SEEAL After-School Club Sail
New Bedford HS Global Awareness Club
4-7pm
8 SEEAL After-School Club Sail
Environmental Outdoors Club/GNBRVTHS
Outdoors Club/NBHS Overnight
9 SEEAL After-School Club Sail
Outdoors Club/New Bedford HS
Environmental Outdoors Club/GNBRVTHS
9am-1pm
10 SEEAL Watershed to the Bay Dockside
Acushnet 5th Grade
9:15-11:15am
10 Secretary Robert Durand
Executive Office of Environmental Affairs
After-School at Keith Jr HS 2:30-5pm
10 **Transit New Bedford to Onset 3-7pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
11 BBAC Watershed to the Bay Dockside
Marion/Mattapoisett/Rochester 3rd Grade
9-11am, 11:30am-1:30pm
12 BBAC Watershed to the Bay Dockside
Marion/Mattapoisett/Rochester 3rd Grade
9-11am, 11:30am-1:30pm
13 BBAC Watershed to the Bay Dockside
Wareham 3rd Grade Classes
9-11am
14 **Transit Onset to Duxbury 6-10:30am**
Free to members, $35 non-members
14-16 Duxbury Bay Maritime School Fest

14th	10:30 Arrival
	1-3pm Open Ship
	3:30pm Ceremony
	6-9pm Reception
15th	9am-3pm Open Ship
	6-10pm Reception
16th	9-11am Open Ship

16 ** Transit Duxbury to Boston Fan Pier**
12-7pm
17-21 Boston Public School Programs
funded, in part, by the Boston Marine Society
17 Hanson Middle School
9am-1pm
17 **Boston Fan Pier Member Sail 6-9pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
18 Boston Fan Pier
Revere HS and South Boston HS Science Classes
9am-1pm
18 MA State Science Fair Winners
5:30-8pm
funded by the MA Department of Education
19 Curley Middle School
10am-12:30pm
19 Boston Fan Pier Open House
12:30-2:30pm Dockside
19 MA State Science Fair Winners
5:30-8pm
funded by the MA Department of Education
20 Hanson Middle School
9am-1pm
20 Staff Training with Outdoor Explorations
3-6pm
21 Jeremiah Burke HS
8am-12noon
12:30-4:30pm
22 Citizen Schools
9am-4pm
23 Outdoor Explorations
9am-4pm
funded by the MA Department of Education
26 Boston Fan Pier Open House
2:30-4:30pm Dockside
26 **Boston Fan Pier Member Sail 5-8pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
27 **Transit Boston Fan Pier to New Bedford 5am-7pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
29 Project RAP
funded by Project YES of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts
31-June 2 Dartmouth High School
Multi-day program

JUNE

3 Middleboro HS
Boston Fan Pier 9am-4pm
4 Hull Junior High School
Hull Pemberton Pier 9am-1:30pm
funded, in part, by a grant from the Boston Marine Society
4 **Transit Hull to Gloucester State Pier 2:30-7:30pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
5 Transit Gloucester State Fish Pier to Boston Fan Pier
Schooner Adventure Educator's Sail
10am-4pm
Call Schooner Adventure at 508-281-8079 for details.
7 Hull Junior High School
9am-1:30pm
funded, in part, by a grant from the Boston Marine Society
8 **Transit Boston to Portand, ME
Dpt 8am, Overnight
Members $50, Non-members $85**
9-16 "Exporing the Coastal Environment"
UMASS Boston Continuing Education
Transit Portland, ME to Boston via Nova Scotia
A Summer Program in Oceanography and Coastal Zone Management
Call 617-287-7915 for details.
17 Outdoor Explorations
Charlestown Navy Yard 6:30-9:30pm
funded by the MA Department of Education
18 Project Adventure
Transit Charlestown Navy Yard to Gloucester Fish Pier 9am-3pm
19 Sails to benefit Schooner Adventure
Gloucester State Fish Pier
9:30am-12:30pm, 3-7pm
Call Schooner Adventure at 508-281-8079 for details.
20-25 Elderhostel Program: Maritime Heritage of MA Bay & the Gulf of Maine
See events for details and call 617-426-8056.
26 Boston Harbor Islands Celebration
Boston Fan Pier 11am-2pm
MA Department of Environmental Management
27-July1 Greater Essex and Hudson Girl Scout Council
Transit Boston Fan Pier to New Bedford
Multi-day Program

JULY

2-4 New Bedford Summerfest
Ships, music, crafts, demonstrations and more!
6 **New Bedford Member Sail 6-9pm**
8-10 American Maritime Studies
Munson Institute Multi-day Program
Call 860-572-5359 for details.
11-16 Elderhostel Program: Maritime Heritage of MA Bay and the Gulf of Maine
See events for details and call 617-426-8056.
17 Lesley College
5-8pm
18 Outdoor Explorations
Charlestown Navy Yard 9am-4pm
19-23 New England Aquarium
Multi-day Program for High School Age Students
Call 617-973-5206 for details
23-26 Boston Seaport Festival
Tall Ship Parade, Blessing of the Fleet,
Parade of Lights, Fireworks and much more!
26-29 Portraits of a Port Summer Institute for Teachers
See Portraits details.
30-31 Dennis Yarmouth High School
Overnight Program

AUGUST

2-5 Sea Connections Summer Institute
See Sea Connections for details.
6-7 National Association for Interpretation
11am-11am Overnight Program
7 New Bedford Hist Soc Joint Fundraiser
8 Coalition for Buzzards Bay Swim
9am-12noon
8 MA Audubon Nature Watch Weekend
1-5pm Sail Call 781-259-9506 for details.
9-13 Upward Bound Multi-day program
13-15 Fall River Celebrates America Fest
16 Hofstra University
Transit Fall River to New Bedford
17-19 Patriots Trail Girl Scout Council
Transit New Bedford to Boston
20 Friendship Volunteers
Transit Boston Fan Pier to Salem 11am-5pm
21 Salem Maritime Historic Site
11am-3pm Open Ship
21 Peabody Essex Museum
5-8pm
22-28 Urban Scholars Multi-Day Program
Transit Salem to Portland, ME
29-Sept 3 Greens Farms Academy Multi-Day Program
Transit Portland, ME to Boston Fan Pier
in partnership with Schooner Harvey Gamage

Look for ** next to the sail listing for the special sails for members.
Call 508-992-4900 to sign up or reserve through the on-line form on Ernestina's web site

For the most up-to-date calendar check Ernestina's website at http://www.ernestina.org.

Schooner Ernestina Homeport Programs

Spring has come to the good ship Ernestina. We've been hard at work even before a single dock line has been cast off. Our dockside program, *Working on the Water*, brought hundreds of 4th grade students from the New Bedford Public Schools and several area parochial and independent schools to the ship and the New Bedford Whaling Museum thanks to funding from the Island Foundation again this year. Our friends from the Boy Scout Troop 52 have been lending their muscle and good nature to several workdays. The 4-H Club has been diligently preparing their models. Finally, Mayor Kalisz's After School Program, which runs in New Bedford's three junior high schools, is the newest group to join in our ever-expanding community of learners.

Working on the Water began with a teacher's workshop that was held mid-March. We saw old friends there and met several new 4th grade teachers. Tom Goux and Polly Zajac visited many of the schools for a pre-visit information session. The students greeted them with lots of enthusiasm and excitement for their trip to the schooner and the New Bedford Whaling Museum. From the end of March to the last day of April, over 30 classes came aboard to learn and compare the technologies of fishing in the late 1800's and whaling in the mid 1800's. A huge thanks goes out to Paul Anthony, Les Martin, and Mary Walsh, Volunteer Instructors, for all the time they gave to make this round of *Working on the Water* such a success!

When you need a hand to get a big job done, who do you call? The answer is Troop 52. Leader Don Ryle and his scouts arrived at the State Pier on a Saturday morning to help the crew refit the Ernestina for this sailing season. They helped move deck boxes, life jackets, endless feet of line, and other essential equipment out of storage. Chief Mate Sophie Morse, had highest praises for the quality and effort of their work. But their helping hand didn't end there. When notice was received that the top floor of our storage area needed to be emptied, the troop came to offer their "sweat equity" during the final day of their April school vacation. It poured all afternoon but their spirits were not dampened. Many pallets were loaded and moved and Joe became an authority at operating the freight elevator. Gregg Swanzey displayed one of his hidden talents. He's an expert forklift driver! The Boy Scouts returned for Maritime Heritage Day, helping visitors board and leave the ship safely.

The Friday 4-H Club hit the road to Woods Hole on Saturday, April 17th for the Woods Hole Model Boat Show. They demonstrated their model building skills to the experts, took in many of the exhibits, and guided visitors through 105 years of Ernestina history, sharing lots of information about the schooner's educational programs. Many of the people who stopped by the exhibit where thoroughly impressed with their knowledge and skills. This year's 4-H Ernestina models are nearing completion. The hulls are painted and the decks are laid. They'll be stepping the masts and fitting out the rig in the upcoming weeks.

In February, New Bedford Mayor Frederick S. Kalisz authorized the start of an after school program in each of the city's junior high schools. Schooner Ernestina staffers are providing one of these 16-week programs. Ernestina educators visit each of the schools, Normandin, Roosevelt, and Keith, once a week for a 2-hour session. The emphasis of the program is on team building, goal setting, and decision making with focus on maritime skills and ship model building.

The Normandin Junior High group visited Kelley's Ship Yard for an afternoon of rowing in the New Bedford Rowing Club's whaleboat. There were stiff winds, but some strong backs pulled through an incoming tide! The kids of Roosevelt Junior High visited the Ernestina and, with Ernestina staff, launched a dory and went for an adventuresome row in the harbor. Shayna, Devin, and Brian turned out to be quite a team. They were able to row under the Fairhaven Bridge while it opened and watch a tugboat pass through. It was very exciting! The students from Keith Junior High came to the ship on a day that had heavy gusts of wind ~ so they visited the Coast Guard Cutter Tahoma and were given a complete tour of the ship. They will get their rowing activity in at the end of the month. All the groups came together to visit Schooner Ernestina on May 4th. There was a complete afternoon of onboard activities, including the schooner's history, knot tying, and navigation skills. Some adventurous souls even climbed the rigging under the supervision of Ernestina professional crew.

All these students are also individually working on ship models. They have cut out their own foam core keels and ribs and are now in the process forming the hulls out of paper mache.

In our Keith group, Michael and Joseph Ford, 4-H alumni, are the resident experts for all technical and engineering design issues! ⌘

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MA Envirothon
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Bill & Irene Morin
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Laura Pires-Hester
"The Rum Soaked Crooks"
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Jim Slattery
Jacek Sulanowski
Steve Sullwold
Mike Sylvia
Three Flags Bakery in Central Falls, RI
Mary Walsh
Polly Zajac

Professional Development Opportunities for Teachers

Portraits of a Port is a joint Ernestina/Whaling Museum lead ten-day History/Social Science Summer Institute funded by the Department of Education for public school teachers of the Commonwealth sponsored by the New Bedford Public Schools. Dates: July 19-30 with call-backs. Stipends and graduate credit available. Call the New Bedford Whaling Museum 508-997-0046 x18 for registration information.

SEA Connections is a ten-day Science and Technology Summer Institute funded by the Department of Education for public school teachers of the Commonwealth sponsored by the New Bedford Public Schools. Dates: July 26 - August 6 with call-backs. Stipends and graduate credit available. Call Alan Lee Hankin, PhD. at 508-993-8861 for registration and information or contact the Schooner Ernestina office at 508-992-4900. ⌘

Special Thanks!

We would like to acknowledge a great effort by Laureen Gerrior, teacher at the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, on behalf of SEEAL for her efforts to arrange underway programs on Schooner Ernestina, pull together after-school clubs and activities, rebuild the Flora B. Peirce Trail and create a trail guide. It is great to work with such an active and enthusiastic teacher! Thanks, Laureen. ⌘

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100 Years Ago in *Morrissey* History:

In 1899 Capt. Joshua Stanley started the *Morrissey* haddock and salt cod fishing for the next few years. These were very successful years for the schooner and her crews, paying good shares. Owners: John F. Wonson 7/24, Roger W. Wonson 7/24, William E. Morrissey 10/24. ⌘

75 Years Ago In *Morrissey* History:

Harold Bartlett of Brigus, Newfoundland purchased the Effie M. Morrissey in 1914 from Nova Scotian owners. He owned her for about ten years before selling her to his cousin, Robert A. Bartlett in 1925. 75 years ago in 1924, the *Effie M. Morrissey* was laying neglected in Halifax Harbor. ⌘

50 Years Ago in *Ernestina* History

Ernestina left Brava on May 14, 1949 and stopped at Fogo and Praia before going to Dakar. During the trans-Atlantic crossing, they encountered five days of rough weather which kept the crew so busy manning the pumps, they dared not sleep. The voyage from Dakar to Providence took 54 days. Finally on August 8, the Ernestina arrived in Providence and anchored off the State Pier. Immigration officials ordered the passengers to remain aboard until their claims to U.S. citizenship were investigated. One man, Manuel Canto, insisted he was an American citizen, although he had left the United States thirty-three years before; another was returning to Cleveland, Ohio after a long visit to his native Fogo. He would have come back sooner had he been able to get an earlier passage, he said. ⌘

25 Years Ago in *Ernestina* History:

When Alberto Lopes acquired a freighter and the colonial government had purchased several vessels, the Ernestina began to be used less and less. Her usefulness as an inter-island packet ship was finished.

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In the late nineteen sixties interest arose in the United States to save the historic vessel. Henrique Mendes had always hoped the vessel would return once more to the United States and retire with honor in the land of her birth. Approaches were made to acquire her for the South Street Seaport Museum in New York and later for Bartlett Exploration Association of Philadelphia. Harry Dugan and the Exploration Association of Philadelphia made several offers to buy the ship from Alberto Lopes in 1972, 1975 and 1976. ⌘

Partner Spotlight

Duxbury Bay Maritime Center

The Mission of the School is to stimulate the values of leadership, self reliance, sportsmanship and an enduring love and appreciation of Duxbury Bay.

Activites are year-round. using 420s, Lasers, Optimist Dinghies and other donated boats along with classes and educational programs both on the water and ashore. An objective is to celebrate the beauty and vitality of Duxbury Bay and to build awareness of its contribution to the South Shore habitat by working with local and regional conservation and environmental organizations and efforts to protect and secure a sustainable environment for the Bay and its related estuaries.

Schooner Ernestina will visit the Center on May 14 through 16 for events and receptions to benefit the center and stimulate efforts to protect and preserve Duxbury Bay.

Keynote speaker will be Secretary Robert Durand of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs during the opening ceremonies on Friday, May 14 at 3:30pm. Many organizations will be on hand with displays and hands-on activities for people of all ages throughout the weekend.

You can get involved with the center by calling Ned Lawson, Executive Director or Kim Cully, Program Director at 781-934-7555. ⌘

Coalition for Buzzards Bay

The Coalition has recently published a great GIS map of the Buzzards Bay Basin including an analysis of estuarine water quality. It is an easy to read graphic representation of years of water quality monitoring efforts by many volunteers and indicates some areas where there is work to be done.

Did you ever wonder why we continue to designate some shellfish beds "permanently" closed? Who said it had to be permanent? Ask the Coalition or your local Watershed Alliance what you can do.

You can call the Coalition for Buzzards Bay at 508-999-6363 to get a map or get invlolved!

On a more local level: if you live in the Westport River Watershed you can call the Westport River Watershed Alliance at 508-636-3016. You don't have a watershed alliance along your river? Form one! ⌘

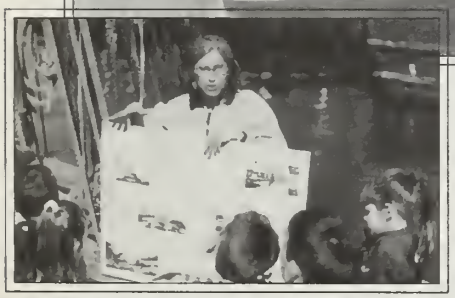
SEEAL Watershed to the Bay Programs

April 13 Fairhaven 5th Grade
April 15 Acushnet Elementary
May 6 East Fairhaven 5th Grade
May 10 Acushnet 5th Grade
May 11 Mattapoisset/Marion/Rochester
May 12 Mattapoisset/Marion/Rochester
May 13 Wareham

Chris Newlan leads a station on Watershed Run-off

Polly Zajac leads a station on Aquifers

Missy DeValles bends on the Jib



Mary Rapoza from Coalition for Buzzards Bay leads a station on human impacts on the harbor.

Bob Rocha from Coalition for Buzzards Bay leads a station from Ernestina's dory on clam biology and estuarine health.

Acushnet Elementary School students haul away on the Jumbo halyard under the direction of Sophie Morse and crew.

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Staff Profiles

Amanda Madeira serves as captain aboard ERNESTINA and operations director ashore, having come aboard in 1994 with the stepping of our new foremast. She possesses remarkable skills as an educator gained through years of training and professional experience with programs aboard HARVEY GAMAGE, REGINA MARIS, ANNE KRISTINE, WHEN & IF, BOWDOIN, TOLE MOUR and OCEAN STAR. Amanda also serves aboard Schooner ADVENTURESS on Puget Sound for a short August stint which offers a program focused on environmental education for public school children. As a student at Hampshire College, Amanda became especially interested in salt marsh ecology and did extensive field work here in southeastern New England. Amanda is also one of ERNESTINA's active visual artists, having received an Arts degree from Montserrat College of Art as a sculptor.

Elisabete Baker is deckhand. She comes to ERNESTINA from an Americorp program in Boston where she was project coordinator for Servathon, and annual service event. She served as delegate to a Massachusetts State Summit, recreated Corps Voice, a support group for corps members and ran two environmental workshops. Elisabete also served as an education intern for the New England Aquarium where she served as floor manager for 10-20 volunteers, developed and managed the George's Bank Activity Center, helped Harbor Explorations, a program that takes inner city youth on environmental trips in the Harbor Islands and designed and presented over 20 environmental curricula to schools and community centers throughout the Greater Boston area. In addition to all this she sailed trans-Atlantic on the HM Bark ENDEAVOUR from England to Florida. This spring Elisabete will be getting involved with the Azorean Maritime Heritage Society's Whaleboat project in New Bedford as a volunteer in between stints onboard Schooner Ernestina. She is Azorean.⌘

Martin van Mesdag, international maritime journalist and lecturer, will present a lecture and slide show in mid-June:

"The Most Beautiful Sailing Ships ~ Ever"

Saturday, June 12, 7pm
N.E.Maritime Institute
66 Spring St., New Bedford

As part of his June 12th presentation and discussion, Mr. van Mesdag will show his extensive collection of documentary images which include drawings, historic photographs, including many of Ernestina, and the artistic treatment of the Yankee schooner as found in the work of marine painter Thomas Hoyne. The program will illuminate the history of the New England Grand Banks fishing schooner of the 19th and early 20th centuries.

Mr. van Mesdag, born in Holland and now a resident of Great Britain, has visited New Bedford and the Schooner Ernestina previously while researching the subject of historic American-built fishing craft. His articles have been featured in periodicals in the Netherlands and the United Kingdom.

The program will include refreshments and a question-and-answer period. **Admission is free to Ernestina members, $5 for all others.** Please call 508 992-4900 for reservations or information.

Greater New Bedford Summerfest

Saturday July 3

Sunday July 4, 1999

The Historic District, now the newly designated New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, and the State Pier is the site of the Greater New Bedford Summerfest.

There will be six stages where performers from the United States, Canada and around the world, will participate in workshops and showcases; more than 40 artisans will be selling their crafts; the famous New Bedford seafood will be featured in the dining tent; Tall Ships and much more. All this for the price of a Summerfest button which can be purchased at numerous sites around the festival grounds for $4.

Schooner Ernestina and Sloop Providence will be alongside for tours with special hands-on activities. Whaleboat Races will be held including teams from organizations and businesses from across the region. There will be an Olympic Soling challenge to raise funds for the 2000 Olympic Summer Games in Sydney, Australia. Schooner Ernestina will lead the Blessing of the Fleet as she does annually. Tugboats will vie for the bragging rights during the Tugboat pull.

The music lineup includes Cheryl Wheeler, Livingston Taylor, Christine Lavin, Susan Werner, Chris Smither, Eric Anderson and many more! See www.ultranet.com/~koro/summfest.htm for summerfest music details and for one of the best sources for folk music in Southeastern Massachusetts. ⌘

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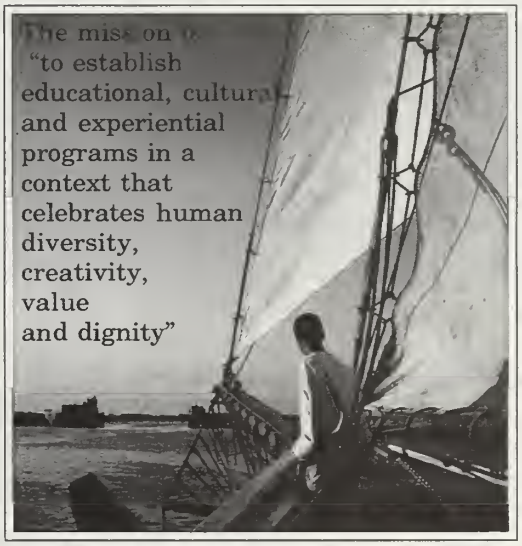

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Why become an Ernestina member?

Help with the grassroots support for this important project
Contributions from members and friends of the ship create the solid foundation necessary for a healthy organization. Your support will help spread the word and increase the membership base, leverage other kinds of support, both public and private, and confirm a vote of confidence for the valuable role the ship plays in preserving our heritage and educating our children.

Keep informed and spread the good news about ERNESTINA's programs
Communication is essential to any grassroots, people-to-people organization such as Ernestina. The Ernestina Newsletter, *Log of a Record Run*, will keep you updated regarding schedule, special events, programs, and community projects. You can also find updates at the web site at http://www.ernestina.org/

Take advantage of wonderful opportunities for yourself as an active participant aboard Schooner ERNESTINA
ENJOY SAILING ON ERNESTINA and support her important work by becoming an active "Crew Member" Each year hundreds of citizens of all ages sail aboard ERNESTINA as she moves along the coast. Rather than sail light handed between ports as ERNESTINA travels to deliver her programs, berths are available to members who would like to haul along side the full time crew. During transit sails from New Bedford to Boston, Boston to Gloucester, up the Narragansett to Fall River and Providence, out to Cape Cod and the islands, ERNESTINA regularly has a number of members on board. People of all ages are welcome to lend a hand!

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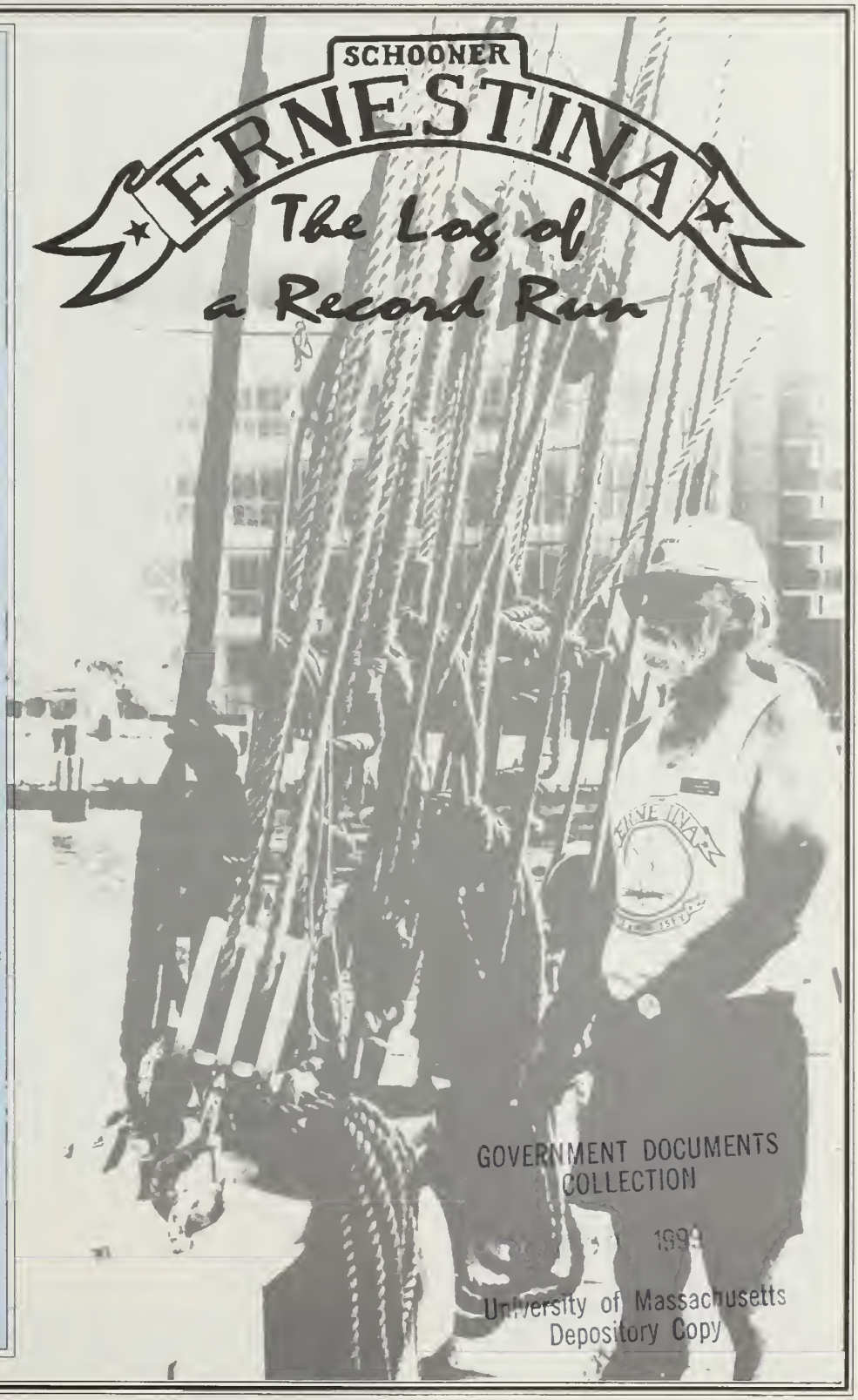

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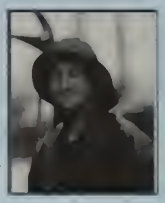
Letter from the Director



Some may help greet visitors at our new Museum as they come to town for the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park; others may jump aboard the Schooner from time to time to help teach our programs. We may find new directions to take with the help of the great energy and ideas people can bring. This Fall promises a new period of growth for Ernestina and increased opportunity and need for expanded volunteer and internship programs.

Thanks to funding from the City of New Bedford and Mayor Fred Kalisz' After-School Programs, Schooner Ernestina will be serving students from the city's three Junior High Schools at our new facilities at 89 North Water Street. Schooner Ernestina staff will work with students three days a week after school starting in October with activities that will develop skills and knowledge and connect them with their community and the waterfront. A culminating experience is in the planning stages that will put them aboard the Schooner Ernestina during part of the incredible TallShip millennium events taking place throughout June and July in seaports of the eastern seaboard next year.

Another after-school program we are excited about will involve students in constructing two floats for the Cape Verdean Recognition Day Parade in July 2000. We are hoping to have a scaled down Schooner Ernestina and a Cape Verdean Whaling Bark sailing along together as part of the parade!

Our summer internship program provided five high school students with two berths on the ship and three positions working on shore-based projects. We see this program as one of the most important ways to connect young people of New Bedford to their city, our great maritime heritage and the waterfront.

Mark your calendars! We are aiming at a Grand Opening Celebration Day for our new Office/Museum at 89 Water Street slated for Wednesday, September 29, 1999 from 3 to 7pm. There will be music, giant puppets and a ribbon-cutting ceremony during the afternoon. The Schooner Ernestina will be in at her dock across the pedestrian overpass in Tonnessen Park as we turn another page in Ernestina's history with a ceremony to reconnect to the waterfront.

We approach the Year 2000 with hope and excitement and the same sense of optimism ~mixed with trepidation~ of preparing for a long trans-oceanic voyage. New experience lies ahead in the next century and the next millennium.... ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

The cover is an enhanced black and white image of a photo taken as the ship left the dock at the Federal Court House Building on Boston Fan Pier. Steve Swift, engineer aboard Ernestina, is preparing lines for sail raising during a program with Lesley College in July 1999. ⌘

IBM & Lotus Development Grant Links Ernestina into the Classroom

The Schooner Ernestina Commission has just received word that IBM and Lotus Development have granted our request for funds in the amount of $21,142 to install hardware and software on the ship and develop a two-way interactive cyber-network linked to classrooms ashore for educational use.

The project will....

- Establish an on-line environment that provides teachers with useful tools for stimulating student learning and students with engaging information source.
- Develop a program design serving high school students as they explore the coastal environment while mentoring middle school students ashore through an on-line network.
- Develop a shore-based program design serving middle school students as they interact with high school students aboard ship.
- Host two day institutes for teachers designed to introduce them to Schooner Ernestina's on-line resources and encourage appropriate classroom activities.
- Implement the program model in other school districts served by Schooner Ernestina. Schooner Ernestina normally serves up to ten school districts with five-day coastal experiences during the sailing season from May through October. The goal will be to commit five schools to an interactive program with paired shore-based student groups by the third year.

Some of the features that will be available on-line will include....

- a bulletin boards for special topics;
- an on-line gallery and ship logbook of student activities;
- data and information directly from the ship on the coastal waters of New England including position, water quality data and visual imagery;
- an on-line discussion room for participating students

A core team consisting of Gregg Swanzey, executive director and Andrea Parrish, education director of the Ernestina, Thomas Ehbrecht, consultant for educational projects for Lotus Development, Thomas Rowen, representing Bell Atlantic and past president of the Telephone Pioneers and Dave Senecal, teacher for Tyngsboro High School and Concord-based Virtual High School will design, install, evaluate and upgrade the components of Schooner Ernestina's on-line network.

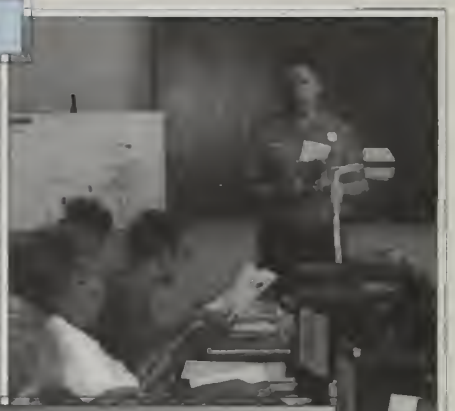
Hardware installation will include two networked laptop computers onboard the ship along with multi-parameter water monitoring equipment and Global Positioning System (GPS) with appropriate interfacing. A next step will include software installation and programming for smooth articulation of on-board information and periodic uploading to Ernestina and participating school websites.

A multi-parameter water quality unit to be installed will include probes for temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen and conductivity. A GPS system to be installed will be interfaced with a CD-ROM based chart kit for position and geographic location. Other data will be available as recorded by students such as wind speed and direction, air temperature and barometric pressure.

Two Tyngsboro classes will pilot test a special use of the system through a five-day program with tenth grade high school students aboard periodically linked to specific sixth grade classes who will be following the voyage from ashore through a two-way dialogue and exchange. The pilot program involving classes from Tyngsboro High School will test active components of the network. Dave Senecal, a teacher at the school, will specify particular features of the site and then lead a five day experience aboard the Schooner Ernestina in coastal New England waters in Spring 2000 while utilizing links between students aboard and ashore. Tyngsboro High School is a participating Virtual High School site.

Many thanks to IBM and Lotus Development for supporting this exciting project! ⌘

Portraits Teachers Make Another Crossing



New Bedford - Twenty-two teachers embarked on a journey through Historic New Bedford and the Buzzards Bay environs during the third annual ten-day *Portraits of a Port* Summer Content Institute funded by the Massachusetts Department of Education, sponsored by the New Bedford Public Schools and hosted by the New Bedford Whaling Museum and the Schooner Ernestina Commission. Special thanks goes to the New Bedford Standard-Times newspaper for making their air conditioned conference room available for many of the workshops!

Teachers worked hard for the ten days pulling the resources together for course unit development consistant with the History/Social Sciences Curriculum Frameworks with a special focus on student assessment instruments to be used in the classroom once the course unit components are implemented. Ultimately, the Institute is intended to impact student academic achievement.

After an introductory day featuring New Bedford Mayor Fred Kalisz and Dr. Joseph Silva, Superintendent of New Bedford Public Schools, Superintendent John Piltzecker spoke on behalf of the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park.

Other speakers throughout the week included many experts and organizations offering a wide range of resources to teachers. The syllabus outline follows: Patrick Eleey: *NPS Olmsted Center for Landscape Preservation*, Carol Pesch: *The Ecological Effects on New Bedford Harbor*, Tony Souza: *A Tour of New Bedford: Neighborhoods and Settlement Patterns*, Wendell C. Bourne: *The Curriculum Frameworks in History and Social Sciences*, Capt. Michael J. Rodgers: *Seaman's Bethel and the New Bedford Port Society*, Trish Altschuller & Judy Chatfield: *A Tour of the Whaling Museum*, Gregg Swanzey, Polly Zajac & Andrea Parrish: *An Introduction to Schooner Ernestina, Working on the Water Curriculum, Experiential Learning and the Environment as an Integrating Context for Learning*, Betty Mitchell: *The Domestic View and Changing Women's Role*, Kate Corkum: *Creating an Historic House Study Unit (Rotch-Jones-Duff House)*, Joe Thomas: *Spinner Publications & Enduring Neighborhoods*, Corrin Williams & Claudia Kirk: *Contemporary Community Building*, Ron Barboza, Mary Vermette, & Laura Orleans: *Voices from the Community*, Kathryn Grover: *The Underground Railroad in New Bedford*, Carl Cruz: *A Tour of the Black Heritage Trail*, Marcia Glynn: *A Tour of Friends Meeting House*, Jean Beaubian: *People of Color Come to New Bedford*, Tom McMullin: *Growth and Industrialization*, Vi Taylor (Friends Academy) & Tracey Saltus (Westport High School): *Sample Course Units from Returning Teachers*, Paul Cyr & Judy Downey: *Resource Exploration*, Daniel Georgiana: *20th Century Developments*, Gary Golas: *The Fishing Industry*, History Role-Playing: *A Conversation with Jonathan Bourne, Jr.*

Teachers sailed out into Buzzards Bay and Vineyard Sound while living and learning around the clock for three days. Evening anchorages were in Vineyard Haven and Padanarum Harbors. The Ernestina component was designed to offer teachers a real hands-on basis, out of their own experience, for developing a passion for history in their students while making connections to other academic subject areas.

"I was so nervous and excited about going on Ernestina. I could not comprehend the whole thing and I was wondering why I was doing this. Well, here it is night, the sun is setting, the near full moon is out and I feel great! I am actually part of the working crew and I actually feel like I am contributing to the workings of Ernestina. We have done so much and I feel at peace and accomplished. I saw a 'firefly' plankton [bioluminesence], a first for me."

Station work included a close look at plankton, water chemistry, the daily catch from the trawl, navigation techniques, 'tools of the trade' along with the diverse history of Ernestina and a personal look at the immigrant experience. ⌘

Calendar

AUGUST

17-19 Patriots Trail Girl Scout Council
Transit New Bedford to Boston
20 Friendship Volunteers
Transit Boston Fan Pier to Salem 11am-5pm
21 Salem Maritime Historic Site
11am-3pm Open Ship
21 Peabody Essex Museum 5-8pm
22-25 Youth Expedition
Transit Salem to New Bedford
26-28 Family Expedition
Transit New Bedford to Portland, ME
29-Sept 3 Greens Farms Academy
Transit Portland, ME to Boston Fan Pier
in partnership with Schooner Harvey Gamage

SEPTEMBER

3 **Transit Boston Fan Pier to Gloucester Fish Pier 4-9pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
5 **Gloucester Schooner Race 9am - 3pm**
$50 to members only. Join us today!
6 **Transit Gloucester to New Bedford**
Free to members, $35 non-members
9 New Bedford AHA! Harbor Sail 5-7pm
Free to all! (Limited, first come)
After the sail visit the Arts, Humanities and Architectural Sites Open in the City for the eventing through 9pm.
11 **New Bedford Member Sail 10am - 2pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
12 Selectmen, Counselors & Legislative Delegation 1 - 4pm
Special Sail for Legislative Delegation, Selectmen and Counselors of the Greater New Bedford Area Towns of Acushnet, Fairhaven and New Bedford along with the Buzzards Bay Team of the Massachusetts Watershed Initiative
12 New Bedford
NBHS Class of '43 Reunion Dockside Visit
13 **Transit New Beford to Boston Fan Pier 7am - 7pm**
Free to members, $35 non-members
14-17 St. Margarets McTernan Multi-day Sail
Transit Boston to New Bedford
18-19 Gloucester Schooner Adventure Sails
Sails to benefit Schooner Adventure from Gloucester State Fish Pier. Call Schooner Adventure at 508-281-8079 for details.
20 Salem Maritime Historic Site 11am - 3pm
Open to the Public Free.
20 Salem 2000 4 - 8pm
21-22 Natick Homeschoolers
Overnight transit Salem to Boston Fan Pier
22-23 **Member Overnight Transit Boston to New Bedford**
Depart Boston Fan Pier 5pm.
Special for members $50 only.
Take this opportunity to join!
25 SouthCoast Learning Network 10am - 12noon
25-26 Lesley College Overnight Program
see article for details.....
27 Westport HS 9am - 1pm
27 4-H After-School Program 2:30 - 4:30pm
28 Westport HS 9am - 1pm
28 **New Bedford Member Sail 5 - 8pm**
29 Schooner Ernestina Grand Opening 3 - 7pm
Office/Museum at 89 North Water Street and Tonnessen Park on State Pier
30 - Oct 1 Transit New Bedford to Yonkers, NY

OCTOBER

2-3 Yonkers, NY
Hosted by the Beczak Environmental Education Center & Hudson River Museum
3 **Transit Yonkers to Beacon, NY 1 - 7pm**
4 **Transit Beacon to Poughkeepsie, NY 4 - 7pm**
5 **Transit Poughkeepsie to Kingston, NY 4 - 7pm**
6-7 Hudson River Maritime Museum Kingston, NY
8 **Transit Kington to Poughkeepsie 9am -12noon**
8-10 Hampshire College Multi-day Program
Transit Poughkeepsie, NY to Stamford, CT
11 **Transit Stamford to New Haven, CT TBA**
12 Hamden School 9:30 am - 1:30pm
15 Transit New Haven, CT to Oyster Bay, Long Island
15-17 Oyster Bay Festival
18-19 **Transit Oyster Bay, NY to New Bedford TBA**
20 **New Bedford Member Sail 5-8pm**
21 SouthCoast Learning Network 9am - 5pm
23 Tahanto HS Envirothon Winners
Transit New Bedford to Boston Fan Pier
24 Outdoor Explorations Volunteer Thankyou Sail 2 - 5pm
28-29 **Transit Boston to New Bedford TBA**
30 End of Sailing Season

We're Moving on Up!

Schooner Ernestina will soon be expanding into a 1500 sq. ft. space in the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park. Our **new offices** will be on the first floor in one wing at 89 North Water Street with the main entrance at **42 Bethel Street** across the street from the New Bedford Standard-Times building on Elm Street. Come to our **Grand Opening** on **September 29 from 3 to 7pm**!

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SouthCoast Learning Network

Are you a teenager ready for the rigors of the real world? For experiences that will prepare you, with skills and confidence, for the challenges of adulthood? Or are you an adult ready to help young people in their venture? Pair up across generations and join the Schooner Ernestina and staff for adventure on land and sea. Work together as a crew to operate a 156-foot sailing vessel. Be challenged by experiential group problem-solving tasks. Come to understand how the lessons learned from these hands-on experiences "transfer" to challenges in the working world of adults. Andrea Parrish, M.A. (Applied Behavioral Science), is Director of Educational Programs for the Schooner Ernestina. Andrea has led experiential education programs for 25 years from the West to the East Coast. Four sessions combine land-based, dockside and cruising activities.

Dates:
Sat Sept 25 9am-12noon
Thur Oct 7 3-6pm
Thur Oct 21 8am-5pm
Sat Nov 6 9am-5pm

Locations:
42 Bethel St.
Schooner Ernestina

Tuition fee arranged with SCLN staff. Call 508-997-9792 for further details.

Look for ** next to the sail listing for the special sails for members.
Call 508-992-4900 to sign up or reserve through the on-line form on Ernestina's web site.

For the most up-to-date calendar check Ernestina's website at http://www.ernestina.org.

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John Braman, longtime Ernestina advocate and commissioner designee for the Department of Education on the Schooner Ernestina Commission, has set sail on a voyage to far off places. He has been granted a position as Heinz Fellow for Social Responsibility at The Polytechnic School in Pasadena, CA. Congratulations, John!

Schooner Ernestina set sail in Boston Harbor on July 17 with John and one of his graduate programs offered through Lesley College as Director of the Center for Peaceable Schools. In typical fashion, the elements of education, community and multi-culturalism broiled at the surface of the program even as we took a few moments to cut a 'Bon Voyage' cake, say a few words of thanks for all John's efforts and present him with a token of our appreciation: a signed-numbered Robert Duff print of Ernestina 'by and large' passing Butlers Flats at the entrance to New Bedford Harbor bound for sea.

John's involvement with Ernestina goes back into the 1970's when he traveled to Mindelo, Sao Vicente, Cape Verde Islands as a humpback whale researcher only to turn his talents toward the difficult challenge of the restoration and repatriation of the Masschusetts-built Schooner Ernestina.

We wish John well and know that his great advice and continued involvement are only an email away. Thanks for your great efforts for Ernestina, John! ⌘

FALL 1999 LESLEY COLLEGE COURSE OPEN TO ALL GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

NEW ENGLAND STUDIES: TALL SHIP ERNESTINA

This course is a hands-on study of a new kind of cultural institution: the "constructivist museum", which preserves history while it generates values and behaviors that restore human community. Course content is interdisciplinary, integrating African-American history, organizational dynamics, maritime history, and educational methods. A 24-hour experience living aboard the ship includes interviews with experts, environmental labs, sailing and navigation, and will involve instruction by the Ernestina's on-board educators.

Mandatory Orientation Meeting: *Tues. September 7, 7:00-9:00 pm*
Sail Weekend: *Fri. Sept. 24, 6-9 pm and Sat. Sept. 25, 9am - 4pm*
Underway on Ship: *Sat. Sept. 25, 4pm through Sun. Sept. 25, 4 pm*
2nd Class Weekend: *Fri. Oct. 22, 6-9 pm & Sat. Oct. 23, 10 am-4 pm*

Graduate Fee: $440/credit plus $175 Program Fee
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Course instructor is Daniel Yalowitz, Ed.D., Associate Professor
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Lesley College, Cambridge, MA

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Judy Adamson, Nancy Martin, Gus and Carolyn Pappalardo examine plankton with Elisabete Baker during this July's Five-day ElderHostel Program originating in Boston.

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Massachusetts Recycles Day

On November 15, Massachusetts will celebrate the third annual Massachusetts Recycles Day (MRD) with activities all month long starting on October 15. This year, Massachusetts is one of 45 states and 2 territories celebrating America Recycles Day. The goal of MRD is to build consumer demand for recycled products and to educate the public about the environmental and economic benefits of recycling and buying recycled products. Last year over 200,000 people participated in 121 communities around the state. Everyone is invited to pledge to buy recycled, recycle more or support a MRD event. All pledges will be entered in the American Green Dream House, a house built primarily with recyled materials. There are many other great prises also. For more information, special event planning guides and other materials contact Massachusetts Recyles Day at 617-338-0244 or check out the website at http://massrecyclesday.org. ⌘

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Year 2000 Planning Underway

Ernestina staff are hard at work on next year's schedule when the event of the millennium will take place. TallShips from around the world will be gathering along the Eastern Seaboard and traveling from seaport to seaport throughout late May, June and July. Ernestina will be there with her banners flying and 'New Bedford' proudly displayed across her stern, the official vessel of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Our itinerary takes us to Washington, DC, Wilmington, DE, Liberty State Park in Hoboken, NJ, Yonkers, NY, New York City, New Bedford, Boston, Halifax, NS, and Portland, ME. Girl Scouts, schools, colleges like UMASS Boston and Ernestina's own members will be sailing during this time as we keep on delivering quality educational programs with an overlay of the 'sail of the millennium.'

We are currently looking for corporate as well as private sponsors who would like to support this great venture. This Fall we will be putting together a commemorative program book of the activities of the Year 2000 TallShip events with appropriate acknowledgements.

In a related story, the Schooner Ernestina Commission is working with Mayor Fred Kalisz' office and Congressman Barney Frank's office to encourage the large Class A ships to visit New Bedford for Summerfest on July 7, 8, & 9, 2000. ⌘

Traudi Coli, Ernestina's historian, teaches a group of Girl Scouts from Camp Favorite of the Patriot's Trail Council how to make Turk's Head bracelets while sailing in Massachusetts Bay.

Partner Spotlight

Whaling City Rowing Club

The mission of the WCRC is to cultivate an appreciation of all aspects of open-water rowing; to provide education and training for all ages and income levels; to keep alive the history of traditional rowing craft and its connection to our area's maritime heritage; to foster the spirit of teamwork that is essential to rowing. WCRC members row an 8-oared turn-of-the-century rescue surfboat and 5-oared boats based on an authentic American whaleboat design. Get in the regular schedule of 'open rows' designed so members can row at convenient times year-round.

If you would like to become a member contact the New Bedford-based WCRC at 508-997-4393. ⌘

Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies

The Katherine Nordell Lloyd Center for Environental Studies, Inc. is a not-for-profit, membership organization located on the scenic Slocums River in South Dartmouth. The Center offers programs concerning the coastal and estuarine environment for casual visitors, families, professional scientists, educators, and students of all ages. The Center's grounds are open and free to the public from dawn to dusk, 365 days a year. The main building which houses exhibits, aquaria, a resource library and an observation deck is open Tuesday through Sunday, 9am through 5pm and on all Monday holidays. The Center sits on 55 acres of salt marsh, forest and freshwater wetlands.

For more information about membership, school programs and teacher institutes call 508-990-0505 or visit the center at 430 Potomska Road in South Dartmouth. ⌘

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For more information call the
New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park Visitor's Center at 508-996-4095.

OYSTER FESTIVAL

October 15-17, 1999

Every year more than 200,000 Long Islanders and visitors participate in the region's largest street festival; a weekend of family fun, food and festivities hosted by the Oyster Bay Chamber of Commerce. This year will be the sixteenth annual festival and will feature Schooner Ernestina open to the public dockside. Oysters will be served in every imaginable form including on the half shell, fried and in chowder. The Festival includes a Food Fest Area, Juried Arts and Crafts Show, continuous entertainment, Oyster Eating and Shucking Contest and Children's Entertainment Area. More than 50,000 oysters on the half shell are consumed each year at the event! ⌘

Pictured above are Schooner Ernestina's Friday Afternoon 4-H Crew onboard Schooner Ernestina during the evening Member Sail, July 6.

The fifth and sixth graders from Gomes and Hayden McFadden elementary schools in New Bedford have helped with many shipboard tasks under the supervision of the Schooner Ernestina crew and staff working in conjuction with the 4-H leaders Rosemary Arruda and Cheryl Ford.

THIS PROJECT IS SUPPORTED IN PART BY
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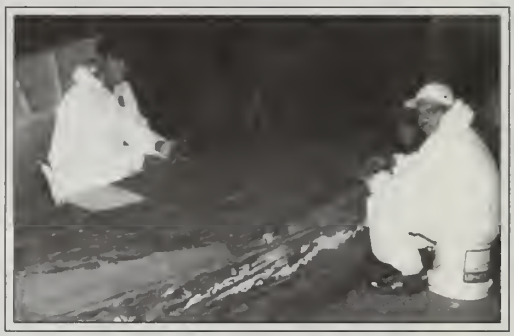
Staff Profiles

Willi Bank serves as captain aboard ERNESTINA Willi comes to the ship with experience gained through many other notable marine education programs including Shoals Marine Lab off New Hampshire, Sea Education Association and the WESTWARD and CORWITH CRAMER and Maine Maritime Academy's Schooner BOWDOIN. He has worked on restoration projects including the ALABAMA on Martha's Vineyard, AJ MEERWALD in New Jersey and the LETTIE G. HOWARD at South Street Seaport in New York City. With a BA in Natural Science from University of Pennsylvania and other marine related course work from Universities of New Hampshire and California, Willi is about as well rounded for programs on ERNESTINA as you can get!

Stephen Swift is engineer aboard the Schooner. He came to the ship as a volunteer five years ago. Since then Steve has contributed countless hours of time and educated himself to the ship's great history as well as the many other aspects that make the ship a powerful learning environment. He went to Massachusetts Maritime Academy for some short courses to develop his knowledge of the mechanical systems on the ship and today serves as a paid staff member. Between stints on the ERNESTINA, Steve served on the Schooner BILL OF RIGHTS from Norfolk, VA to Los Angeles, CA by way of the Panama Canal. Steve's career has included classroom experience as a math and science teacher at Uxbridge High School and a long tenure as a Physical Scientist for the U.S. Army's RD&E Center, Natick, MA. Steve holds an MS degree in Foods and Nutrition and a BS in Textile Chemistry. ⌘



Internship Program: A Sound Addition

The Diversity Committee of the Schooner Ernestina Commission identified expansion of our internship program as a key action item for connecting with the community and diversifying the Schooner Ernestina. Committee members John Braman, Carol Pimentel, Bettina Borders, Toni DePina, Maria Fortes and staffers Andrea Parrish and Gregg Swanzey met earlier this year and produced a plan outlined in the last edition of our "Log of a Record Run" newsletter. This is an update of the progress set in motion by that committee and marks an expansion of our internship program with both shipboard and New Bedford-based programs.

HOMEPORT INTERNS:

Three New Bedford High School students with historical/cultural connections to the ship came on the schooner operations staff during the summer vacation, involving them in the day-to-day challenges of the busy Ernestina schedule. After an application and interview process they were selected and came to work. What a great crew they are!

Ernestina interns Jade Britto, Edison DaCosta and Calvin Arterberry have been diligent, punctual and dedicated in fullfilling their duties. This has included refitting and refinishing two of Ernestina's six dories. During this hottest of summers, these youngest Ernestina staffers have been busy sanding, scraping, puttying and priming in the shade of Ernestina's spar shed on State Pier. Their tasks have also included much appreciated assistance in the office with the preparation of mass mailings and the Log Books and Seamanship Manuals for underway programs throughout the summer.

During the Fall River Celebrates America Festival, August 13-15, the interns assisted the Ernestina crew and volunteers during open ship and joined the ship's company on the 54 mile homeward voyage from Fall River to New Bedford on Monday, August 16. It's further by sea!

The three junior staff members will culminate their intern experience as full participants in the Youth Sail Coastal Passage, Salem to New Bedford, August 22-25. On this coastal passage they will sail with other teenagers between Salem Maritime National Historic Site and the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park.

ON BOARD ERNESTINA IN MA COASTAL WATERS:

Ernestina's onboard program coordinator, Chris Newlan, developed an internship program this year as an offering for students interested in shipboard learning experiences through a summer internship. After an interview process, Jeanne MacNeil and Nicole Williams brought their gear on board and became, in every respect, part of the crew. They have proven invaluable addition by their energy and talents. We appreciate all they have brought to Ernestina programs.

Jeanne MacNeil begins her senior year this Fall at the Shackleton School in Ashby, MA, a school with a unique curriculum that is based on expeditionary learning. While onboard, Jeanne's responsiblities for "learning the ropes" and functioning as a regular crew member included sailing and shipboard skills along with teaching stations on line handling, knot tying, and passenger orientation. Part of Jeanne's internship requirements were to implement a plan for her independent study with presentations and reports as well as newpaper articles.

Nicole Williams joined us from the Greens Farms Academy in Connecticut. Nicole sailed last year as a participant in GFA's annual underway program with Schooner Ernestina. She follows in the footsteps of her schoolmate, Lee Dolan, who was an Ernestina intern last summer. Nicole spent the month of August learning about shipboard life, ship operations, and teaching participants onboard. ⌘

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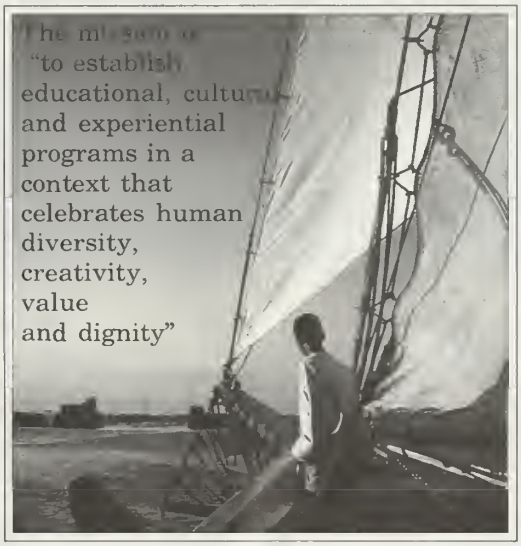

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Why become an Ernestina member?

Help with the grassroots support for this important project

Contributions from members and friends of the ship create the solid foundation necessary for a healthy organization. Your support will help spread the word and increase the membership base, leverage other kinds of support, both public and private, and confirm a vote of confidence for the valuable role the ship plays in preserving our heritage and educating our children.

Keep informed and spread the good news about ERNESTINA's programs

Communication is essential to any grassroots, people-to-people organization such as Ernestina. The Ernestina Newsletter, *Log of a Record Run*, will keep you updated regarding schedule, special events, programs, and community projects. You can also find updates at the web site at http://www.ernestina.org/

Take advantage of wonderful opportunities for yourself as an active participant aboard Schooner ERNESTINA

ENJOY SAILING ON ERNESTINA and support her important work by becoming an active "Crew Member" Each year hundreds of citizens of all ages sail aboard ERNESTINA as she moves along the coast. Rather than sail light handed between ports as ERNESTINA travels to deliver her programs, berths are available to members who would like to haul along side the full time crew. During transit sails from New Bedford to Boston, Boston to Gloucester, up the Narragansett to Fall River and Providence, out to Cape Cod and the islands, ERNESTINA regularly has a number of members on board. People of all ages are welcome to lend a hand!

You can take advantage of this great opportunity to "hand, reef and steer" aboard one the most historic ships afloat! As a Crew Member you will receive the ERNESTINA Newsletter which includes ERNESTINA's sailing and program schedule, including Member Sail Opportunities. Look for this symbol: ** on the schedule. By simply calling the ERNESTINA office, you can reserve your place on the member crew list for any of these Member Sail Opportunities. Members may sail as many times as they wish during the course of the year. Typically up to fifty berths are available for each coastal passages.

Log of a Record Run is published quarterly and distributed to ERNESTINA membership as well as partner organizations, institutions and educators. Articles about educational, maritime and preservation activities are welcome and will be considered for publication. **Send articles to editor@ernestina.org or fax to: 508-984-7719.**

Schooner ERNESTINA is owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and operated by a commission placed in the Department of Environmental Management and appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellucci. Enabling legislation allows ERNESTINA to receive funds from sources both public and private in order to support its mission. **The homeport is New Bedford, MA with offices on New Bedford State Pier.** ⌘

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The Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission is a nine member agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts enabled by legislation found in Chapter 6 of the General Laws signed by Governor William Weld January 13, 1994. The Commission is placed in the Department of Environmental Management and includes designees of Commissioner Peter Webber of DEM, Commissioner David Driscoll of the Department of Education and Ms. Mary Jane McKenna, Director of Office of Travel and Tourism and six other residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The commissioners are appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellucci.

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Letter from the Director

It is during the lean times we best do our planning so that we are able to act when the opportunity arises; during the prosperous times we follow through with the 'brick and mortar' for a strong foundation and more secure future. It is no coincidence that we find ourselves at the brink of a new millennium with both the optimism of the moment and a plan.

We ask for help from those who care about the historic vessel Schooner Ernestina and the maritime heritage she represents. The best way we can help our children learn is by offering them engaging and powerful learning experiences. How can we keep Ernestina sailing strong through the next century?

This newsletter is devoted to great examples of efforts by members and volunteers this year and a discussion of ways to get involved whether by supporting an endowment for the Schooner Ernestina administered through the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts, annual giving at the close of the year, corporate support through a program book highlighting the upcoming millennium year or by getting more actively involved on the ship or ashore through programs or as a volunteer.

We have a remarkable year ahead. Ships from around the globe will be gathering in seaports of the Eastern Seaboard and Canadian Maritimes. Schooner Ernestina will carry on her mission with programs for people young and old with a coordinated itinerary to place her in world class company at either end of her multi-day programs.

Read on through our newsletter. We hope there is something for you...

We would like to extend our appreciation for your generosity and help in advance. ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

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Please check your mailing label for notice of membership due.

Memberships are on an annual basis from the date of enrollment. The Schooner Ernestina Commission also makes an annual appeal during late November and December for donations.

The cover is an enhanced black and white image of a photo taken during Maritime Heritage Day at Tonnessen Park in New Bedford in May 1999. The Band "Besh" plays traditional Cape Verdean music to a festive crowd. ⌘

Schooner Ernestina Announces an Endowment Initiative

The Schooner Ernestina Commission is working closely with the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM) to establish the ***Schooner Ernestina Endowment Fund*** to support the Ernestina's mission.

What is the Community Foundation? CFSM, a charitable organization under section 501 (c)(3) of the the IRS code, manages individual funds and resources given by citizens to enhance and support the quality of life in the communities of the Southeastern Massachusetts region. CFSM invests pooled assets and uses the interest income to fund grants benefitting programs for youth, the environment and many other programs.

Why give through the Community Foundation?

- ⌘ Donors and their families may design and name the charitable fund they wish to establish and recommend specific distributions from it
- ⌘ CFSM can accept many kinds of gifts including cash, publicly traded securities, closely-held stock, life insurance and deferred gifts such as pooled income funds, charitable remainder trusts and bequests
- ⌘ CFSM works closely with a donor's personal legal and tax advisors to establish funds quickly and easily
- ⌘ Expert investment of assets, professional staffing, legal support, and administrative and financial oversight are all provided under the Community Foundation umbrella

Ways to give include cash, charitable remainder trust, lead trust, appreciated securities, gift annuity, life insurance, and pooled income funds as well as will bequests.

Give us a call at the Schooner Ernestina office if you have any questions or you may contact CFSM directly if you are ready to act!

Please contact Anne M. Beaulieu, President of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts, for more information at 227 Union Street, Suite 609, New Bedford, MA 02740, Tel. 508-996-8253 and ask her about the ***Schooner Ernestina Endowment Fund***. ⌘

CV Events 1999

Ernestina staff attended several Cape Verdean events this year. A highlight includes the Lembranca Festival on April 24, an Onset Scholarship Fundraiser in the name of Manny Neves, founder of CV News, on April 29 and a fundraiser for the Escola Materna Brava on April 30 in Taunton. ⌘

SEEAL's Year 2000 Proposal Pending

SEEAL members have been meeting frequently since July 1999 to assemble a proposal comprised of twenty-four tasks that will significantly expand SEEAL's area of operation to include sub-watersheds from Wareham to Fall River. Priorities in the Taunton, Westport, Acushnet, Mattapoisett, Sippican, Agawam, Wareham and other rivers are addressed in the proposal.

The combined direct impact of proposed projects and programs includes service to (3,180) elementary and middle school children and (415) high school students from Fall River, New Bedford, Marion, Onset and other communities of the region. In addition, a program will be provided for (86) teachers and their students and (20) teachers will participate in a ten day Summer Institute for Teachers featuring local watersheds and organizations. Two trail guides will be produced for new trails at Camp Cachalot in Carver and at the Head of Westport. Over 15,000 educational brochures and guides will be produced for the general public including a River Dweller's Guide for action to protect our water resources and a brochure about the Westport River Watershed Council, a model approach to watershed planning.

SEEAL is an alliance of organizations and others that meets monthly on the second Tuesday of every month at the offices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts in the People's Bank building at 227 Union Street in New Bedford. ⌘

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~Equipment Needs~

- (2) Y2K compliant computers
- Shipboard Radar
- (2) Handheld VHFs
- Collating copy machine

We're Looking for Some Great Partners....

We would like to invite businesses of the region to join us in building a secure future for the historic Schooner Ernestina and the powerful programs she provides.

The ship served more than 15,000 people including more than 4,000 school children this year. We have recently opened new office and museum space at the Gateway to the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park to become the newest visitor destination in up-and-coming New Bedford. We are developing funds for planning and design for a Center for Education and public access on the Central Waterfront in New Bedford. With growth like this, partnership with your company is extremely significant. Help build Ernestina's presence as the maritime icon she is!

Along with the magnificent TallShip events taking place next June and July 2000 in seaports of the Eastern Seaboard and Canadian Maritimes come many great opportunities to reach a broad audience. Schooner Ernestina will be traveling in company with the Class 'A' ships of the world to such ports as Washington, DC, Wilmington, DE, Yonkers, NY, New York City, Bridgeport and New Haven, CT, New Bedford, Onset, and Boston, MA, Yarmouth and Halifax, Nova Scotia and Portland, ME. We will have public schools, Girl Scout Troops, university courses as well as Elderhostel expeditions aboard between ports.

We would like to list businesses appropriately in a special commemorative program book to highlight this special year and to help support our programs for youth.

We are offering the following levels of support:

$500	Listing of company name and website URL as a *Friend*
$1000	Listing of company name, logo and website URL as a *Supporter*
$5,000	Quarter page ad and listed as a *Major Supporter*
$15,000	Full page ad and dockside reception at a selected TallShip event and listed as a *Partner*
$25,000	Millennium Sail *Sponsor* with acknowledgment on cover and other appropriate coverage in program book and harbor sail followed by a reception at a TallShip event of company choice.

We plan to publish this program book for distribution at all TallShip events and for distribution to public officials, state agencies, municipalities, partner organizations, members and other affiliates of the Schooner Ernestina and her programs. In addition, the content of the book will be posted to Ernestina's award-winning web site. Please use the form below to respond. Our staff looks forward to working closely with you! ⌘

Millennium Sail Sponsorship Form

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Web site URL_____

Please indicate your level of interest:

- ❒ $500 *Friend*
- ❒ $1000 *Supporter*
- ❒ $5,000 *Major Supporter*
- ❒ $15,000 *Partner*
- ❒ $25,000 *Millennium Sail Sponsor*
- ❒ $_____ *Other*

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4-5 Holiday Shops
New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park sponsored by WHALE

9 AHA! New Bedford
New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park Museums and Galleries open 5-9pm

31-Jan 1 Y2K Ernestina at First Night NB
Celebrate Y2K aboard Ernestina (dockside) 7pm-1am

JANUARY

13 AHA! New Bedford
Artist Christine Bean, a watercolorist with many special scenes of the SouthCoast region will be featured at Schooner Ernestina's Museum 5-9pm

15 Ernestina Remembrance Day
A day to remember those who put so much into the ship ~Joe Cardozo and Joli Gonslaves~ 5-7pm

24 Jan-14 Feb Knot Tying
Local Knot Tyers Guild member Martin Casey will run a course for four Mondays 6:30-8:30pm at the Ernestina Museum through the SouthCoast Learning Network. Call 997-9792 for registration and details. Tuition $75 plus $5 materials fee.

25 Jan-14 March Sea Chanties and Ballads
Choral Director and Maritime Musician Tom Goux will lead a course for eight Tuesdays 7:00-8:30pm at the Ernestina Museum through the SouthCoast Learning Network. Call 997-9792 for registration and details. Tuition $80 plus $25 for songbook. Participants will perform at Maritime Heritage Day on May 13.

FEBRUARY

5 Polar Bear Tales
Games and Stories @ NB Whaling Museum 11-2pm

5 Viva Ernestina
Our annual gala fundraiser 6-10pm
Tickets $40

10 AHA! New Bedford
Artist Robert Duff, specializing in countrysides and marine themes, will be featured at the Ernestina Museum5-9pm.

12 Pirate Ship Wydah Tales
Ken Kinkor of Provincetown's Pirate Museumwill describe the true story of the discovery of a pirate ship 11am-2pm at the Ernestina Museum. Contact SouthCoast Learning Network to register at 997-9792. Course registration fee $19 adult/$9 child.

26 Amistad Tales
Capt. Bill Pinkney will describe the Amistad Project taking place in Mystic with a launching set for spring! 11am-2pm. Contact SouthCoast Learning Network to register at 997-9792. Course registration fee $19 adult/$9 child.

MARCH

9 AHA! New Bedford
Artist Arthur Moniz, featuring a special technique called graphite watercolors, will be featured at the Ernestina Museum 5-9pm.

15 Ship Rerigging begins

~Y2K Ernestina~ Watch the Ball Drop from Ernestina's mast with a warm mug of cider and a backdrop of the City of New Bedford's fireworks display. Come to New Bedford's First Night Celebration!

AHA!

AHA! – "Thursday Nights in the City" are back and Ernestina is part of the attraction! Earlier this year organizers from the City of New Bedford and members of the Arts and Cultural Network of the Regional Community Congress formed a collaborative to begin celebrating the Art, History, and Architecture (AHA!) in New Bedford. AHA! evenings take place on the second Thursday of each month; over 15 venues host artists, craftsmen, and special events.

The AHA! Committee was awarded a $17,000 grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council to develop, plan, and evaluate the activity. Ernestina's partners on the committee include the New Bedford Whaling Museum, Artworks!, the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, Gallery X, Crowell's Fine Art and Custom Framing, the Duff Gallery, the New Bedford Preservation Society, WHALE, Spinner Publications, the Magic Palette, Bierstadt Art Society, the New Bedford Art Museum, The Rotch Jones Duff Garden and Museum, The Standard-Times, and the Bristol County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The Ernestina Office and Museum has hosted a growing number of visitors on the AHA! nights. In October, children made Arctic animal masks for Halloween. There was a Great Pumpkin Carve-Out on Acushnet Ave., where Team Ernestina, featuring Tom Goux, Polly Zajac, and Annie McDowell carved their way to fame. It was a waterfront sweep: Art Motta, the city's Director of Tourism, whose office is located on Fisherman's Pier, won first place while Polly and Annie place second and third respectively.

November's AHA! theme was the Bounty of the South Coast. Visitors were treated to baked beans and, direct from the Ernestina galley, chief steward Laurie Weitzen's incredible fish chowder. A great hit with AHA! visitors was the delicious manchupa, a Cape Verdean dish, prepared by Ye Olde Convience Store in New Bedford.

December's theme is the Winter Gala and the Ernestina headquarters will serve holiday refreshments and ring with the songs of the season provided by Tom Goux's happy harmonizers from the Cape, *notescape.cod*

January AHA! will reflect the new millennium and feature local artist Christine Bean, known for her beautiful watercolor land and ocean scenes. Christine's show will be the first of a series of local artist showcases at Ernestina's Office Museum during 2000, with Robert Duff and Arthur Moniz following in subsequent months.

The upcoming AHA! events will be held on January 13, February 10, March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8, and July 13, 2000. Mark your calendar with these dates and discover (or rediscover) historic downtown New Bedford! ⌘

APRIL

6-7 Maritime First Aid Course Offering
Join Ernestina's Staff for some emergency training

8-9 Wilderness First Responder Refresher
Combine the 8-9th with the 6-7th and qualify for a WFR refresher

13 AHA! New Bedford
New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park Museums and Galleries open 5-9pm

All activities and events listed take place at Schooner Ernestina's building at 89 North Water Street (entrance at 42 Bethel Street) in New Bedford, MA.

No charge for members unless otherwise noted.

Ernestina will start her sailing season again in early May. We will be posting sail opportunies on the website during the winter and will have the next newsletter out by early spring.

For the most up-to-date calendar check Ernestina's website at http://www.ernestina.org.

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We're Going Ashore!

The sailing season may have ended October 30th, but things are quite busy with shore side activities here in New Bedford. The fourth grade program, *Working on the Water,* entered its sixth year this fall thanks to funding from the Island Foundation of Marion, MA. Over 360 grade four students from the New Bedford Public Schools and area private schools visited the schooner and the New Bedford Whaling Museum. Learning goals focused on the available technologies of the late 19th century and how they were used to catch cod fish in the Grand Banks and whales around the world. We were especially pleased to welcome students from the Jireh Swift School in the city's North End during their first visit to Ernestina. Teachers involved with the program have provided terrific feedback. Parting comments include:

"When my students arrived back at school they commented that they were very tired but a "good" tired from learning all kinds of very exciting things. I was thrilled at their positive response." (Friends Academy teacher)

"I loved how you integrated math physics, science, and music with the social studies content. My students were intellectually challenged and so excited to learn everything. They soaked up all you had to share and are still discussing it." (Friends Academy teacher)

"When discussing and then writing compositions about the WOW program, many commented on the fun and excitement of the day and how they hope to visit the Ernestina again. Most had a better understanding and application for life and work on a fishing schooner and whaling vessel." (Campbell School teacher)

The 4-H Club continues to meet on Friday afternoons. The fourteen students from the Gomes and Hayden-McFadden Schools toured the schooner, made a 3-D collage of the Ernestina, practiced marlin spike skills, created protective mats to be used on the deck of the ship, and designed decorations for Ernestina's office, which were featured during AHA! evenings. Amy Schusser, an artist from Artworks! in New Bedford, met with the students to design and paint festive murals, which are hanging in the windows of downtown businesses during the holiday season. They're quite a talented bunch!

The Schooner Ernestina was also the recipient of a grant from the City of New Bedford through the federally funded "Targeted Cities Initiative Program". This program is designed to provide structured after school activities for city junior high school students. Dubbed the "Schooner Ernestina Crew," this after school program is running in two sixteen-week sessions. We have over 20 students enrolled in the fall semester. Students are learning about maritime history and issues, developing traditional mariner's skills, visiting local commercial fishing vessels, and rowing 19th century-style whaleboats in New Bedford Harbor. Our next session begins March 6, 2000 and continues until June 9, 2000. Students attending any of the three New Bedford junior high schools can participate in the spring session. Transportation is provided from the school sites. For further details, please call the Ernestina Office at 508-992-4900. ⌘

Former Crew Aboard

Former crew members stepped aboard in New Bedford, Duxbury, Boston and Yonkers, NY this year for a reconnection to the ship they helped guide across the Atlantic in the 50's and 60's. Antildo Lopes ('64, '65), Vasco Galvao 'Vas Quin Ho' ('56), Manuel Marcelino Imane Di Branca ('56), and Lucio Siva (passenger '56).

Ed Kielty from Humarock, NS came aboard in Duxbury. He had sailed as engineer to the Arctic in '41 and '42.

Nova Scotia Thank You!

The ship sailed into Wedgeport on the southeastern coast of Nova Scotia June 11 & 12, 1999 with a UMASS Boston Continuing Education program aboard studying coastal zone management. The participants and crew were in for a wonderful surprise as they received a wonderful welcome from the townspeople. Other interesting surprises were in store...

Many thanks to the Wedgeport Tuna Fishing Museum and Pres. M. Blair Boudreau and directors Gerard Pothier, Donnie, Judith Jacquard and Lillie LeBlanc for their gifts of Arcadia pins, large flag and lobster chowder reception with a wonderful presentation by the local children's choir. Radio CJLS Yarmouth gave great local coverage.

Kurby & Sally Malone and Shannon & John Vernon gave a special tour of the site of the former homestead of William E. Morrissey, the first owner and captain of the Schooner *Effie M. Morrissey* (Effie's dad), and drove several of the crew to the grave site of William himself on the Lower East Pubnico Peninsula. ⌘

"The Rum Soaked Crooks"
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Mike Sylvia
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The Band 'Bexa' featuring Manuel Carlos Fortes, Jose Fortes Pinto, Joao Pereira, and Idilio Vieir
Margarite Bonneau
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Johnny Pina of Pawtucket, RI

A fun day off the ship showing the crew using turn-of-the-century technology again... Apples are ground and pressed and cider is pushed out through filter fabric into the cast iron trough to be collected in a pitcher below the base.

Grand Opening!!

Over 200 people gathered to help Schooner *Ernestina* "drop anchor" at the corner of Elm and Bethel Streets in New Bedford's historic district. Was the venerable old vessel aground on the other side of Route 18? They had assembled not to witness a great maritime disaster, but to celebrate the success of the *Ernestina*'s educational programs and to mark the opening of a new Schooner Ernestina Commission Office and Museum. Music, refreshments, and history were all part of the scene on September 29 during an open house in the newly renovated building. Originally built in 1884 for S.A. Sowle Steam Woodworking Company, the building was, until recently, operated as Skip's Marine until acquired by Doug and Claudia Mills. It is located at the gateway to the city's National Whaling Historical Park.

A variety of artifacts related to the historic ship were displayed in the new quarters. The collection on display included portraits of Effie M. Morrissey and Ernestina Mendes Randall, daughters of the original captain and the first Cape Verdean captain, a leather rifle case from the Bartlett Arctic era, an original Robert Duff painting of *Ernestina* and a model of the schooner as she appeared in the 1930's. A contemporary portrait of Captain Henrique Mendes was on display as well. Drawings of the *Ernestina* by children from St. Joseph's and East Fairhaven Elementary Schools were also on display in the front lobby.

At 4:30pm, a festive parade stepped off from the office and museum and made its way to Tonnessen Park on State Pier where the *Ernestina* is docked. The parade featured Vinnie Lovegrove and the *Miracle Fish Puppet Theater*, the *Ernestina Chanteymen* and *Besh*. Late afternoon traffic on Route 18 slowed noticeably as the procession passed over highway on the pedestrian overpass. Once onboard Schooner *Ernestina*, the revelers were addressed by King Neptune himself. His highness was attended by an assortment of costumed nymphs and denizens of the deep, who, behind their disguises, looked suspiciously like Schooner *Ernestina*'s professional crew members. Revelry on deck was brief and the parade made its way back to the office for the Official Grand Opening Ceremony.

Gregg Swanzey, *Ernestina*'s Executive Director, presided over the ribbon-cutting. The Reverend Mr. Richard Mendes, grandson of Ernestina owner-captain Henrique Mendes, offered a blessing. Mr. Swanzey then acknowledged the work of individuals whose investment of time, talent and treasure have nurtured the *Ernestina* project over the decades. The crowd of 200 included many who have been directly involved in the preservation and support of the schooner going back to the mid-1970's.

DEM Commissioner Peter Webber

Speakers included Massachusetts Department of Environmental Affairs Commissioner Peter Webber, Representative Antonio Cabral, James Marshall, aide to Senator Mark Montigny, Elsie Souza speaking on behalf of Congressman Barney Frank and Steve

Representative Tony Cabral

Sharek, New Bedford City Councilor-at Large, bringing the regards and sentiments of Mayor Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. and the New Bedford City Council. Carl Cruz, a former Ernestina Commissioner, made special mention of the efforts of Joseph Cardozo and Joli Gonsalves.

Music for the festivities was provided throughout the evening by

ExCommissioners Julius Britto and Fred Littleton

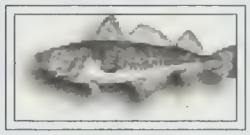
guitarist Johnny Pena and "Besh," a Cape Verdean folkloric ensemble. A buffet featuring Cape Verdean dishes followed the ribbon-cutting ceremony A large cake, decorated with the Schooner Ernestina logo, was donated for the event by Homlyke Bakery. ⌘

~Cook's Corner~

Recipe by Laurie Weitzen and Sophie Morse

Laurie and Sophie have combined efforts to produce a recipe for fish chowder that's sure to please every time. Visitors attending the November 11th AHA! gave it rave reviews. Serves 8-10.

Naushon Fish Chowder



2 medium onions – diced
6 large potatoes – chopped
4 T butter
4 T olive oil
3 T garlic
3 large stalks of celery
3 T of powdered vegetable or fish stock
2-3 pounds of fresh white fish, chopped
1 pound of mussels, cooked w/ shells removed

In frying pan, saute onion, garlic and stock in 1/2 butter and 1/2 olive oil until tender. Put in stock pot. Saute potatoes in remaining butter and olive oil until soft on outside. Add to onion mixture. Add fish and enough water to cover ingredients. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to simmer.

In separate pot, steam mussels until done. Add mussels and water to chowder. Cook until all ingredients are cooked through. Add salt and pepper to taste. ⌘

Cape Verdean Events

Schooner Ernestina schedule included several waterfront gatherings this year that helped connect the ship with the Cape Verdean community.

Onset - Six hundred people gathered on May 12 for a 'homecoming' party for Ernestina. People got together to share food, music and stories of the 'old' and 'new' countries. Stories were told about how Onset and Wareham friends got together in the 70' and early 80's to raise money to hire the shipwright, Franz Meyer, in Cape Verde and to send materials and engage the captain who brought the ship across to Massachusetts in 1982. Many thanks to band members Jose Osorio Galvao, Tony Lopes, and Jose Pina from "Netinhos Di Vovo" and Ramiro Garcia and Manuel Timas. Food was organized by Steve Baptiste (Harborview Restaurant) and Gerri & Victor Barrows, Adeline Fernandes (VHF Post 2846), Joan Andrews, Rev. & Mrs. Robert Gomes, Patty Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Donald J. McCormack, John Corriea, Rudi Santos and Robert Andrews. As always, Eddie and Lola Andrade (CaboVideo) and the Britto family were letting people know about the event and helping organize. ⌘

Staff Profiles

Traudi Coli is ERNESTINA's onboard anthropologist. She holds a graduate degree from Rhode Island College's African and Afro-American Studies Program where she studied the history and culture of the Cape Verde Islands with a special interest in the sailing packet trade. A long-time devotee to the ERNESTINA *cause*, Traudi can "reef, hand and steer" with sailors twice (or three times) her size. During ERNESTINA's 1994 season she worked 45 days as a volunteer and has signed on each year since as a professional deckhand/educator. Last winter Traudi traveled transAtlantic from New Bedford to Cape Verde aboard ERNESTINA's modern day counterpart, the cargo vessel JENNY. Traudi is fluent in seven languages and holds a second graduate degree in the field of Health Care and is a published scholar in the field of anthropology. She is currently traveling in China. ⌘

Fred Sterner serves as mate and holds a 200 ton Near Coastal Master's license. He brings considerable engineering and carpentry skills to ERNESTINA. Fred's diverse background includes teaching (vocational-technical alternative energy program) and the corporate business world (sales manager, computer marketing). He now runs a brisk home-based business when he's not aboard ERNESTINA. His schooner experience includes SPIRIT OF MASSACHUSETTS, HARVEY GAMAGE, Sea Education Association vessels and numerous large, privately owned sailing vessels. He is a past Commodore of the American Schooner Association. Fred holds a BS degree in Liberal Studies from the State University of New York. ⌘

Staff, Friends and Family Pressing Cider at Year's End

Sophia Morse serves as chief mate on ERNESTINA. She holds a MS in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics from URI and a BA in Marine Affairs and Russian from URI. She is a published scholar and has examined the economic and environmental impact of wildlife protection regimes in the upper reaches of North America. She was project coordinator for Smithsonian Institution archeological summer expeditions aboard a 50' research vessel in Arctic Canada. Now aboard ERNESTINA she serves as both educator and USCG licensed Mate. ⌘

Margaret Graustein is deckhand with an AB Sail Certificate. Meg has great background in outdoor education as well as special needs and elementary school programs. She recently came from Sea Education Association where she spent three months sailing the North Atlantic. She has led interactive workshops for the Eli Whitney Museum in Hamden, CT, led adventure training programs for the Adam Kreiger Challenge Course in New Haven, CT and served as rock climbing instructor at Farm and Wilderness Camps in Vermont. ⌘

Ernestina's Crew

Lotus/IBM Grant Update

In our last newsletter we spoke about some great news from Lotus/IBM! Ernestina has been awarded a grant for $15,000, (2) IBM Thinkpads and more than $45,000 in software and licenses for installation of networked electronics aboard Ernestina. With upgrades of our web site to a *Domino* platform and installation of *Learning Space*, learners of all ages will be able to access a new and interactive resource to find out where the ship is, the quality of the waters she traverses and the experiences of those aboard.

We sincerely appreciate this timely and important support from Lotus/IBM. Look for future updates and an announcement of the launching of our new web site sometime late next spring. ⌘

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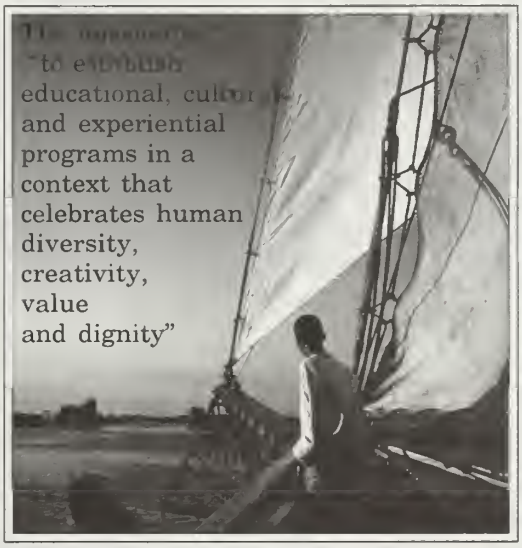

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ERNESTINA REMEMBRANCE DAY
5PM-7PM, SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 2000

A Day for Remembrance, Saturday, January 15, 5-7pm, will be an event recognizing the remarkable effort of the many CapeVerdeans and Cape Verdean-Americans who have given so generously of their time, talent and treasure in this life to ensure that Schooner Ernestina will live on as an eternal cultural symbol.

Two individuals being saluted at this event are the late Joseph Cardozo and John P. "Joli" Gonsalves. For many years, Joe Cardozo served as Director of the Ernestina program while Joli, Founding Director of the Cape Verdean-American Cultural Association, served as head of the Schooner Ernestina Commission and was a life-long advocate and champion of the Commission's work.

Commemorative poems will be read in Creole and English and remarks will be offered by family, friends and colleagues of Joli and Joe. The Schooner Ernestina Office and Museum at 89 North Water Street in New Bedford's historic district will echo with the traditional music of the islands and light refreshments will be served. ⌘

Ernestina joins with South Coast Learning Network

Tom Goux has been a leading interpreter of maritime music and sea poetry for over 25 years. He will lead an eight week sea chantey class Tuesday evenings starting January 25 to March 14, 2000. The class will focus on traditional music of the sea in three-part harmony.

Marty Casey is a Coast Guard veteran and a member of the International Knot Tiers Guild and president of the local chapter. He will lead a four week knot tying class Monday evenings starting January 24 through February 14, 2000.

Please call the South Coast Learning Network at 508-997-9792 for course fees and to register for either class. Hurry though, spaces are limited and filling up quickly. ⌘

Log of a Record Run is published quarterly and distributed to ERNESTINA membership as well as partner organizations, institutions and educators. Articles about educational, maritime and preservation activities are welcome and will be considered for publication. **Send articles to editor@ernestina.org or fax to: 508-984-7719**.

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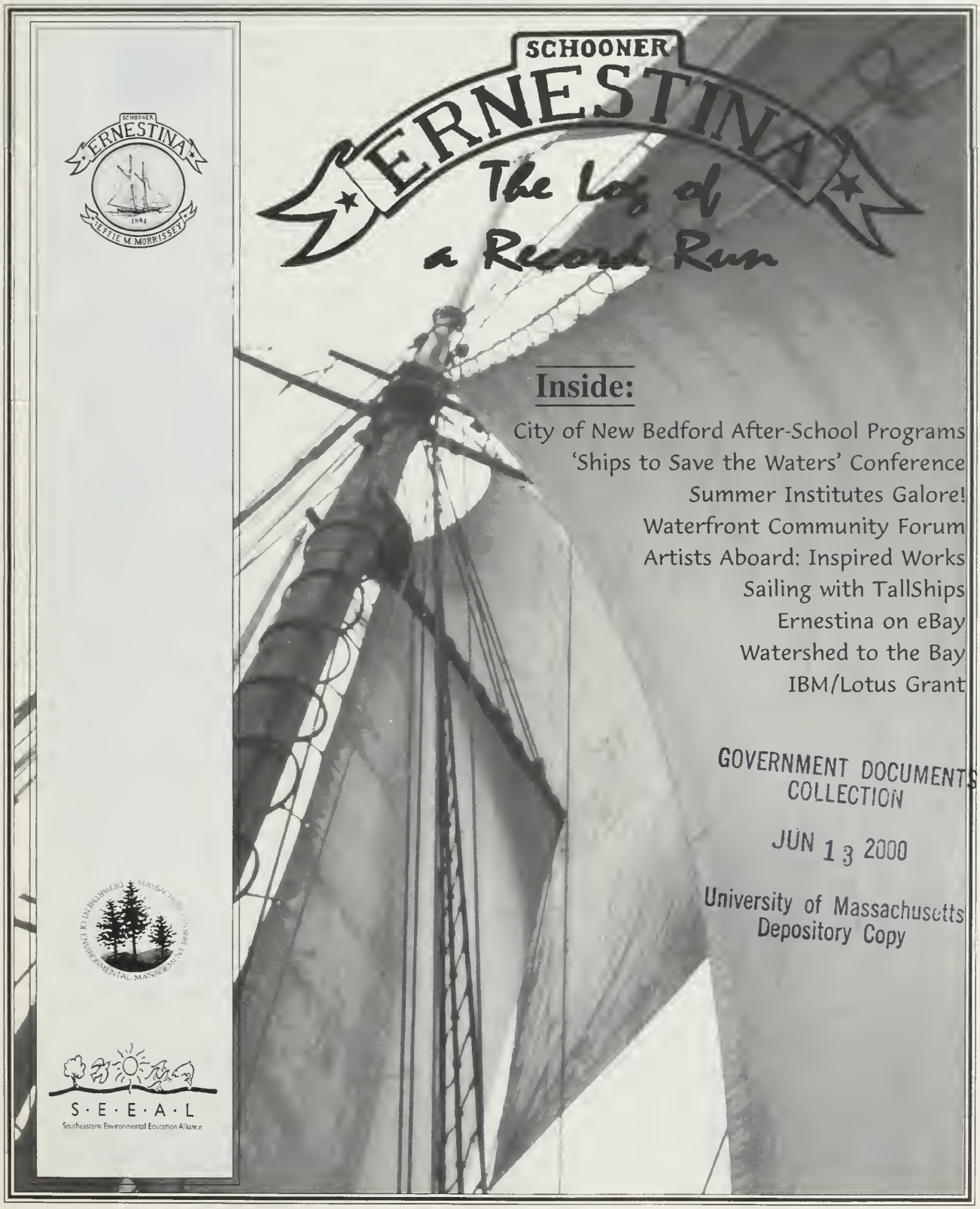

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Letter from the Director

We begin the Schooner's 106th year and this new century with a new-found home in the old F.A. Sowle Building across the street from State Pier. Surely, Tonnessen Park in New Bedford Harbor is one of the finer berths the ship has seen in her broad career and Ernestina's new office/museum is fast becoming a warm, active place on Water Street.

It goes well... we wonder even so: How can we secure this ship, her heritage and ongoing capacity for programs that install a legacy for people who find powerful connections in her story or in direct experience?

We count on our legislative delegation to dedicate funds toward the hardest costs of operation such as core administrative staff. Senator Montigny and Representative Cabral along with Representatives Rogers and Kozcera and the entire local delegation are champions for the ship and very effective at delivering for many critical projects and programs for our region. This year Mayor Kalisz has come through with funding for after-school programs that have enabled some great connections with the community and links to places as far as New York Harbor. We have several Foundations like the Island Foundation, Community Foundation of Southeastern MA and Boston Marine Society that continue to support Ernestina's programs year after year. Lotus/IBM has funded an important project that will launch Ernestina on-line into classrooms across the world.

What about the private side of our fundraising development? We have a small group of dedicated benefactors who have been leading the way by supporting our annual giving requests. The fact is, however, donations by members, annual giving and contributions to our new endowment are critical ways in which the future of the ship will be secured. This is the area in which we have the most room for growth.

Please consider how you can help. Is it through an annual commitment as a member? Have you explored the benefits of giving to our endowment? Can you come to public meetings about the harbor, open space or education and advocate for the ship? Email a friend to take a look at our web site and become a member.

You might be surprised at how deeply the schooner will engage you. For some the impact stretches back more than a half century as if it were only yesterday. There are few experiences available to us today as powerful as those found on Schooner Ernestina, official vessel of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

The cover is an enhanced black and white image of a photo up into the fore-rigging of Ernestina during the Gloucester Schooner Race in September 1999. ⌘

Waterfront Community Forum Takes Shape for New Bedford

A *Waterfront Community Forum* has been established for the New Bedford/Fairhaven Harbor to advocate a collaborative approach by people who live and work on the waterfront to support efforts for improvement and development. Meetings take place on the first Wednesday of every month at the Schooner Ernestina offices at 89 North Water Street at 7:30am. Everyone is invited to come and participate.

The group has been meeting for several months and has recently been embraced by the Regional Community Congress as an additional network. A design session at the last meeting resulted in a list of prioritized projects for the Harbor. Any comments or ideas? Come join us on the first Wednesdays! ⌘

Internship Program on Sound Footing

Again this year the Island Foundation has come through for Ernestina with a three-year grant for a series of internship positions throughout the year.

Our first graduate level intern will help us with a project in collaboration with the New Bedford Historical Society involving a survey of historic immigration records of the Cape Verdean community in the greater New Bedford area. The data will help develop the connections between Whaling industry, maritime commerce and the packet trade along with industries and 'pull' factors that brought people to America. ⌘

SHIPS TO SAVE THE WATERS CONFERENCE

Liberty State Park
Jersey City, NJ
July 1 & 2, 2000

Our Mission: To inform and inspire the creation and sustainability of water-borne programs for protection, preservation, restoration and celebration of our waters.

Pete Seeger, founder and mentor of the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, envisions the Ships to Save the Waters (StStW) Conference as a venue for networking water-based programs, sharing environmental educational methodologies and exposing the work of educational ships to the public-at-large. Hosting organizations have invited ships with environmental messages to participate in a weekend where environmental issues, education and music will harmonize with the splendor of OpSail2000, the Fourth of July celebration and the Statue of Liberty and the New York skyline as a backdrop.

Conference & Exhibits
Saturday, July 1 & Sunday, July 2
9:30am-5:00pm

Keynote Address
Saturday, July 1 7:30pm
Madame Cousteau

Summary Session
Sunday, July 2 4pm
Pete Seeger & Panelists

In the CRRNJ Terminal Building
Panel discussions in the Blue Comet Room
Exhibitors in the Terminal & Concourse
Presentations & Music from the Main Stage

Shipboard & Dockside Activities
Saturday, July 1 & Sunday, July 2
10:30am-5:00pm
Learning Stations for people of all ages
Touch Tanks
Paint a Harborscape
The Great Watershed Exercise

Sponsoring Organizations:
Sloop Clearwater
Schooner AJ Meerwald
Schooner Ernestina
Liberty State Park Development Corporation

Participating Ships
Sloop Clearwater
Sloop Adam Hyler
Sloop Rainbow Race
Sloop Sojourner Truth
Sloop Woody Guthrie
Schooner Ernestina
Schooner AJ Meerwald
Schooner Californian

Participating Organizations
Inland Seas Education Association
The Noble Maritime Collection
Raritan Riverkeeper
Hackensack Riverkeeper
NY/NJ Baykeeper
Ferry Sloops, Inc.
Greenpeace USA
The Waterfront Museum
Wisconsin Lake Schooner Education Assoc
American Sail Training Association (ASTA)
South Street Seaport Museum
Many Others...

Benefit Concert ~Ticketed Event~
Friday, June 30 7:30-10:30pm
Washington Irving HS
E. 16th St x Irving Pl, New York City
Tickets $15-$50 Sliding Scale
Contact Jeanne Stork at 212-831-5027 for information and tickets. A kickoff concert will be held across the harbor in Manhattan on Friday evening to serve as a fundraiser for the conference weekend.

Featured artists:
Pete Seeger
Paul Winter
David Amram
The Johnson Girls
Jack Landron
Brother Russell Scholl & The Singing Conquerors
Geoff Kaufman & Forebitter and Friends

Go to the StStW page on Ernestina's website at http://www.ernestina.org/StStW.html (it is case sensitive) for more details and registration or call 508-992-4900. ⌘

Schooner Ernestina & Wanderer Sail in the Summer Parades

A team of young people have organized themselves, with guidance from Schooner Ernestina staff, to plan, design and construct floats for the Cape Verdean Recognition Day Parade and to support the Grand Opening of the Whaling Museum in July 2000. The project began on Monday, February 7, 2000 and continues through Monday, June 5, 2000 with after-school gatherings from 3 to 5 PM at the Schooner Ernestina offices in the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park on each Monday (except holidays) and during weekends and school vacation weeks as determined by group decision. There will be approximately 25 sessions of 2 hours each for a total of 50 hours of contact time. The culmination event during the Cape Verdean Recognition Day Parade will take place in early July 2000. The participants received presentations from experts on Cape Verdean packet trade, culture and ethnicity and the technical aspects of the construction of models and ships while constructing two large models of the Schooner ***Ernestina*** and Bark ***Wanderer.*** Photos show the models under construction with help from Bill Santos and intern Sarah Maddocks.

Ernestina's Mantenhas

The Schooner Ernestina Commission established an important annual event, *Ernestina's Mantenhas*. The first annual Mantenhas, a public reception, was held January 15, 5pm to 7pm, at the Schooner Ernestina Office and Museum, 42 Bethel St., New Bedford. This event recognized the remarkable effort of the many CapeVerdeans and Cape Verdean-Americans who gave so generously of their time and talent to ensure that Schooner Ernestina will live on as an eternal cultural symbol.

Two individuals saluted at the event this year were the late Joseph C. Cardozo and John P. "Joli" Gonsalves. For many years, Joe served as Director of the Ernestina program while Joli, Founding Director of the Cape Verdean-American Cultural Association, served as head of the Schooner Ernestina Commission and was a long-time advocate and champion of the Commission's work.

Speakers at the event included members of the Cardozo family including Terri Cardozo (photo above), Johnny Pena, Carl Cruz (photo left), Ed Andrade, former Representative and Cape Verdean News editor Tom Lopes, and Tommy Grace. ⌘

☞ ARTISTS TAKE NOTICE

Artists Aboard! ~ A week aboard Schooner Ernestina and special showing at Artworks! in New Bedford in the Fall ~

- 5 day – 4 night artist workshop cruise
- Scenic coastal passage, including the gathering of Class 'A' ships for TallShips 2000 in Wilmington!
- Special show of *Artists Onboard* work will be presented at Artworks! in New Bedford in fall, 2000
- Flexible daily schedule will allow for both artistic productive time along with hands-on sailing instruction and experience for those who choose to participate
- $400 fee includes bunk and all meals (no art supplies included)

Embark: Monday, June 19, Philadelphia, PA Disembark: Friday, June 23, Wilmington, DE (or Saturday if you like)
Professional and Amateur Artists Welcome! Sound Interesting? For registration and information call: (508)992-4900

Calendar

MAY

2 SouthCoast Educational Collaborative
Fall River 9am-1pm
3 Durfee HS
Transit Fall River to Newport 9am-2pm
4 DEM Forests & Parks/City of Newport
Newport Yacht Club 9-11:30am, 1-3:30pm
5 Dartmouth HS
Transit Newport to New Bedford 9am-4pm
6 SouthCoast Learning Network
Walkabout New Bedford 9am-4pm
7 City of New Bedford After-School Prog
New Bedford 9am-3pm
8 Westside HS Teacher Sail & Workshop
New Bedford 9am-1pm, 1:30-3:30pm
9 Revere HS
New Bedford 9am-1pm
10-11 Middlehoro HS
New Bedford 9am-1pm
12 **Member Sail
New Bedford 5-8pm**
13 Maritime Heritage Festival
Dockside New Bedford 11am-4pm
14 **Member Sail
Transit New Bedford to Boston 9am-11pm**
15 Wait House School
Boston Rowes Wharf 9-11am Deck Tour
16 City on a Hill & South Boston HS
Boston Rowes Wharf 9am-1:30pm
17-19 Indian Head School
Boston Rowes Wharf 9am-1pm
17 **Member Sail
Boston Rowes Wharf 5-8pm**
18 Hull Memorial Jr HS
Hull @ Pemberton Pier 4-8pm
20-21 Boy Scout Overnight
Overnight Campout Gallops Island
9am-4pm
22-23 Boston Public Schools
24-26 New Bedford Puhlic Schools
27-28 NewFound HS Overnight
Transit New Bedford to Boston 9am-12noon
28-June 3 ElderHostel Multi-day
Transit BostonRowes Wharf to New Bedford via Marthas Vineyard. Call 617-426-8056 for information and registration.

JUNE

5 Nichols MS Middlehoro
Transit New Bedford to Newport 9am-5pm
6-8 Rhode Island College Multi-day
Transit Newport, RI to New Haven, CT
African and Afro-American Seafaring Traditions
For more course info call Dr. Richard Lobban at Gaige Hall 118E, Rhode Island College at 401-456-8784, email at RLOBBAN@RIC.EDU
9 Long Island Seaport Ecology Center
Port Jefferson, NY
Evening Sail
10 Long Island Seaport Ecolgy Center
9am-2pm Sail
11 Outstanding Renewal Enterprise, Inc.
New York City East River 11am-2pm
12-17 Tenessee Boy Scouts
Transit New York City to Phildelphia, PA
Five-day Sail departs Monday morning to arrive in Philadelphia by late Thursday or early Friday.
17-18 Philadelphia, PA
TBA
19-23Artists Aboard!
Transit Philadelphia, PA to Wilmington, DE
Special five-day Sail for artists departs Monday morning to arrive in Wilmington for Crab Feast on Thursday and a Parade of Sail on Friday from noon to 6pm. See following entry. This is a special sail to setup creative moments for artists who will then show works at "Artworks!" in New Bedford for a special showing in the Fall. Fee is $400. See descriptuon page 4.
22-25 TallShip Delaware 2000
Wilmington, DE
22nd Arrival & Crab Fest
23rd Parade of Sail
12noon-6pm Board at 9am
$50 fee members only
24th Sails & Open Ship
10am-12noon Sail
2-4pmSail
25th Sails & Open Ship
10am-12noon Sail
26-29 Gtr Essex & Hudson GS Multi-day
Transit Wilmington to NYC via Atlantic City
30 City of New Bedford After-School
Yonkers, NY w/ Hudson River Museum
Tour of Museum & Sail 1-4pm

JULY

1-2 Ships to Save the Waters
Conference at Liberty State Park
Jersey City, NJ See article page 3
3 OpSail 2000
Open Ship Liberty Landing Marina,
Jersey City, NJ
4 OpSail 2000 Parade of Sail
Liberty Landing Marina 5am-3pm
5-11 UMASS Boston Continuing Ed
Exploring the Coast Multi-day Prog
Transit Liberty State Park to Boston via New Bedford & Onset, MA.
7-9 Summerfest New Bedford
Parade of Sail Friday, July 7 at 3pm with Bluenose II, Gazela of Philadelphia, Lewis R. Story and Ernestina entering in parade and coming to State Pier. Special appearance on Saturday by the Bark Picton Castle. Music, crafts, great seafood and the Grand Opening of the new Whaling Museum on Friday and through the weekend. All for the price of a button available in advance from various locations throughout New Bedford. Call the Chamber of Commerce for more details.
11 Sail Boston 2000 Parade of Sail
JFK Library 5am-5pm
12 Sail Boston 2000 Member Sail
10am-12noon Sail
2-4pm Sail
You can sign up for one only! Free to members!
13-14 Munson Institute Overnight
Boston 5:30pm-4pm
15-19 Patriots Trail GS Multi-day
Transit Boston to Yarmouth, NS
19-24 Special Nova Scotia Passage
Board the ship in Yarmouth, NS at 8am Wednesday July 19th and transit with the crew to Halifax for the TallShips 2000 event. You will be aboard for a spectacular arrival into the Harbor on Friday, July 21. Stay aboard until Sunday morning and enjoy Class 'A' company! Fee to members $300 includes berth and meals aboard.
20-23 Tall Ships 2000 Halifax
Parade of Sail & Open Ship
24-25 Halifax Race Start & Sail to Lunenburg, NS
Let us know if you'll be in Halifax!
25-28 NE Aquarium Multi-day
Transit Lunenburg, NS to Portland, ME
Call 617-973-5206 for information about the Summer Discoveries Program. There is space available!
28-30 OpSail 2000 Portland, ME
Open to the public. **Daysails TBA**.
30-31 PKU Multi-day
Transit Portland to New Bedford

AUGUST

1-3 Maritime Mathematics Institute
Teacher Summer Institute aboard Ernestina
See description on page 8
7-9 Portraits of a Port Institute
Teacher Summer Institute aboard Ernestina
See description on page 8
10 Naushon Island Sail
11-13 Fall River Celebrates
Festival Fall River, MA
13-19 Upward Bound Multi-day
Transit Fall River to New Bedford
19-20 Natl Association of Interpretors
Overnight New Bedford 4pm-4pm
21-24 Sea Connections Institute
Teacher Summer Institute aboard Ernestina for Science/Technology
See description on page 8
25-26 **Member Overnight Transit
New Bedford to Gloucester 9am-12noon**
26-27 **Member Overnight Transit
Gloucester to Portland 1pm-12noon**
27-Sept 1 Greens Farms Academy
Transit Portland, ME to Gloucester, MA

SEPTEMBER

2-3 Gloucester Schooner Race Wknd
Open Ship and Informal visits
3 **Gloucester Schooner Race
Race 9am-3pm Members Only! $50
Call for reservation and tickets 508-992-4900** Space Limited!
5 Merchant Ship Friendship Training
Transit Gloucester to Salem 9am-3pm

Events

MAY

11 AHA! New Bedford
"Maritime Art, Music & Architecture"
Manjiro Puppet Show
Miracle Fish Puppet Theater 6:30 & 8pm
Artist Barbara Healy 6-9pm
13 Maritime Heritage Day
11am-4pm Tonnessen Park
& the National Park
Music, storytellers, interpretive presentations. Celebrate our maritime heritage with all along New Bedford's Water Street.

JUNE

8 AHA! New Bedford
"Flower Power!"

JULY

7-9 New Bedford Summerfest
Huge annual festival with great music, crafts and performers. New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park and Waterfront. TallShip visits by Bluenose II, Gazela of Philadelphia, Lewis R. Story and Picton Castle along with our own Ernestina. Grand Opening of the Whaling Museum. Come see the Blue Whale! All for the price of a button!
13 AHA! New Bedford
"All Things Portuguese"

All events listed take place at Schooner Ernestina's building at 89 North Water Street (entrance at 42 Bethel Street) in New Bedford, MA. No charge for members unless otherwise noted.

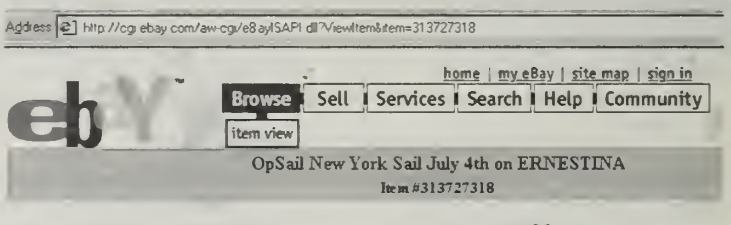
You never know what will go up at the auction.....

The historic Schooner Ernestina is up on eBay's electronic auction block but not in the way you might think. What is offerred is an opportunity for the highest bidder to become a major sponsor and join the Schooner Ernestina Commission in supporting Ernestina's powerful learning experiences. To celebrate this effort, fifty guests will come aboard for the OpSail New York Parade of Sail on July 4th. They'll do more than just watch the parade, they'll be in it.

This year TallShips will be gathering from all over the world for OpSail 2000 in New York City, a 'Sail of the Millennium,' a spectacular Parade of Sail from the Narrows, up the Hudson River and back on July 4th. Boarding will be early morning at Liberty Landing Marina, Liberty State Park, Jersey City to depart the dock for New York Outer Harbor and return in the late afternoon.

In addition, the ship will be available for a dockside buffet reception and fireworks viewing during the evening dockside at Liberty Landing Marina. The successful bidder will be acknowledged on Schooner Ernestina's website and highlighted in a special commemorative program book.

"We think eBay provides a great way to introduce a broad audience to educational efforts of the ship while connecting with an individual or company with a firm belief in the powerful learning experiences found on ships like Ernestina in our coastal waters." said Gregg Swanzey, Executive Director for the Schooner Ernestina Commission. "The Parade of Sail in New York will be spectacular: it is a rare opportunity to sail in company with such a fleet of Sailing Ships from all over the world." ⌘



AFRICAN AND AFRO-AMERICAN SEAFARING TRADITIONS

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE
SUMMER SESSION I: AFAM 350/450
May 22-June 29. 2000 MTW 10-12noon & TBA

This course is designed to offer fresh and different perspectives about the very long history of African and Afro-American seafaring traditions. A unique feature is that this course will involve both regular classroom and site visits, including a working experience of actually sailing aboard historic schooner, Ernestina, that was actually involved in the African/Afro-American maritime experience.

A special focus is on Cape Verde and West Africa, which also occupies a central role in American history in the infamous slave trade. Placed strategically on the Atlantic Ocean, this area of the world is an important bridge between Africa and the New World as well as between Europe and Asia. Local populations in Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts also have African and Cape Verdean connections.

A unique resource available for the course is the Cape Verdean Special Collection at Adam Library, Rhode Island College. It is expected that a considerable amount of research will be done using this Special Collection including books, maps, photographs and other resources which are not otherwise available.

Week 1: Ancient Mariners from Africa
Week 2: Afro-Arab Sailors
Week 3: Cape Verdean Packet Trade **including at-sea June 6-8 from Newport to New Haven**
Week 4: African Raider Sailors, River Canoes and Fishermmen
Week 5: The Atlantic and Indian Ocean Slave Trades and Abolition
Week 6: African Americans and the Sea Trades

The program will take place from May 22-June 29, 2000. Classes will meet Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 10-12 noon at Craig-Lee Hall 202, Rhode Island College. June 6-8 will be spent aboard Ernestina underway from Newport to New Haven. To Apply: Contact Dr. Richard Lobban at Gaige Hall 118E, Rhode Island College at 401-456-8784, email at RLOBBAN@RIC.EDU

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Humanities International
Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
Martha Briggs Educational Club
MA Envirothon
New Bedford Chamber of Commerce
New Bedford Historical Society
New Bedford Whaling Museum
New England Aquarium
NEA Education Resource Center
Pandion Consulting
Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum
Seamans Bethel
Waterfront Historic Area League
Westport River Watershed Alliance

Maritime Partners

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Community Boating Center in New Bedford
Essex Shipbuilding Museum
Harvey Gamage Foundation
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater
Lusolines on New Bedford State Pier
Munson Institute at Mystic Seaport, CT
National Maritime Historical Society, Peekskill, NY
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Newport Yacht Club & Rob Parker
Northeast Maritime Institute in New Bedford
Rowes Wharf, Boston
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The Band 'Bexa' featuring Manuel Carlos Fortes, Jose Fortes Pinto, Joao Pereira, and Idilio Vieir
Margarite Bonneau
Bettina Borders & Vic Mailey
Blair & Carol Brown
Anne M. Brownell
John & Laune Bullard
Bill Burbank – USS Constitution rigger
Gay Burgiel
Barbara Burgo
Artist Ken Cabral
Mrs. Joseph B. Cardozo
Kendall Carpenter & NE Maritime Institute
Marty & Sandra Casey
Allison Castellan
Compass Rose"
John Connolly
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Judith Curby
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Dulci deOliveira of Pawtucket, RI
Toni DePina
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Mike Ledger
Fred & Elinor Littleton
Mary Ellen & Peter Lawrence
Will Livingston
Dr. Richard Lobban
Richardo & Natalie Lopes
Vinnie Lovegrove and Miracle Fish Puppet Theater
Ligia Lucas of Mt. Vernon, NY
Sarah Maddocks
Edward Madeira
Jason Mailey
Karen Markey
J. Greer & Elizabeth McBratney
Rick, Anna & Andrew McDowell
Damian McLaughlin & crew
Mary Anne McQuillan
Les Martin
Louis Martins of Yonkers, NY
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Inette Rex
Bob Rocha & Coalition for Buzzards Bay
Susan Ronstrom
Dea Rosa
The Rum Soaked Crooks"
Don Ryle & Boy Scout Troop 52
Tracey Saltus
Bill Santos
Jack Saunders & the crew at Pier Oil
Gary Schwarzman
Pete & Toshi Seeger
Jim Simmons & Hands Across the River
Jim Slattery
Phyl Speser
Harris Steele
Bruce & Terri Stevens
Jacek Sulanowski
Steve Sullwold
Mike Sylvia
Vi Taylor
Three Flags Bakery in Central Falls, RI
Marty Tulloch
Cynthia Waldcrist & City of New Bedford
Mary Walsh

Johnny Pena at Ernestina's Mantenhas

SCHOONER ERNESTINA OFFERS THREE SUMMER CONTENT INSTITUTES IN JULY/AUGUST 2000

SEA Connections

Dates:
August 14 - 18 & 21 - 25, 2000

Sponsored by:
New Bedford Public Schools
MA Department of Education

Offered by:
Schooner ERNESTINA Commission
Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
Pandion Consulting

Sea Connections, a ten-day program plus two call back sessions, offers teachers and administrators the chance to experience the scientific process first-hand including laboratory, field and on-water investigations and instruction. Institute faculty will demonstrate how to integrate learning standards in science and technology/ engineering with those prepared for history and social science. Archaeological techniques will be included in the field instruction at the Lloyd Center. Teachers will experience the coastal environment of Massachusetts first hand through an at-sea four -day sail on Schooner Ernestina.

Faculty:
Alan Lee Hankin, Ph.D.
Project Director, Pandion Consulting
Nancy O'Connor, Ph.D.
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
Tricia Sheppard, Education Director
Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
Gregg Swanzey, Executive Director
Schooner Ernestina
Educators and Crew
Schooner ERNESTINA

To Register or For Additional Information
Contact: Alan Lee Hankin, Ph.D.
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Portraits of a Port

Dates:
July31-August 4 & August 7-11, 2000

Sponsored by:
New Bedford Public Schools
MA Department of Education

Offered by:
Schooner ERNESTINA Commission
New Bedford Whaling Museum
NB Free Public Library
NB Preservation Society
NB Historical Society
Rotch-Jones-Duff House
NB Friends Meeting House
NB Whaling National Historical Park
Waterfront Historic Area League

Portraits of a Port is a project that draws on the resources of partner institutions to provide selected curriculum development opportunities for Massachusetts teachers of Grades 7-10 which will address specific learning standards and core knowledge in the History/Social Science and English Language Arts Curriculum Frameworks. Central to this Institute is the use of the construct of a port and an operating historic sailing vessel as lenses to study the port and maritime commerce of New Bedford: the economy and geography; industry of whaling, and the industrial developments which followed; the people who came and worked and the diversity of cultures who remained; and the decline of textiles and the rise of fishing which became a major 20th century industry. In addition, Schooner Ernestina will incorporate the experience of navigating the coastal waters for three consecutive days as a platform for examining the immigration experience and exploring the marine environment.

To Register or For Additional Information
Contact: Laura Perreira
at the Whaling Museum
Phone: 508-997-0046 x34

Maritime Mathematics

Dates:
July 24-28 & July 31-August 4, 2000

Sponsored by:
Southeastern PALMS Coalition
MA Department of Education

Offered by:
Schooner ERNESTINA Commission
SE PALMS Coalition
Bridgewater State College

During *Maritime Mathematics* Summer Content Institute, participants will spend five days developing a comprehensive knowledge of mathematics as it relates to the learning standards for their grade level in the classroom at Bridgewater State College. During the second week of the institute they will travel to New Bedford for a series of hands-on workshops, both on the water aboard Schooner Ernestina for day-sails and ashore, in applied mathematics focused on navigation, scientific sampling, spar construction, buoyancy and the technology of a 19th century schooner. After a period of independent study participants will come back for three Institute callbacks to apply concepts, present course units and then report on student assessment.

Faculty:
Ron Norsworthy, Coordinator
SE PALMS Coalition
Cara Streck
Bridgewater State College
Cara Anaam
Bridgewater State College
Frank Juiliano, Superintendent
Milton Public School
Paul Anthony, Physics specialist
Schooner Ernestina
Gregg Swanzey, Executive Director
Schooner Ernestina
Polly Zajac, Educator
Schooner Ernestina
Educators and Crew
Schooner ERNESTINA

To Register or For Additional Information
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Phone: 508-531-2832
email to: Rnorsworthy@bridgew.edu

For all Institutes: PDPs and graduate credit can be arranged. Teachers will be offered curriculum implementation and assessment support for the entire 2000 -2001 school year. **Stipends** are not available this year for *Sea Connections* and *Maritime Mathematics* but are *Portraits of a Port* @ $125 per week.

Watersheds to Earth Day - An April Vacation Science Adventure

What do Palmer's Island, water density, and topographic maps have to do with each other? Sixteen 6th grade students from Ashley and Kempton Schools in New Bedford could tell you!

Schooner Ernestina received a grant from the City of New Bedford to provide a vacation program for 6th graders. A program focused on the

Acushnet River watershed was designed. Polly Zajac and Tom Goux visited students at their schools in February to introduce the program. Students interested in attending wrote essays and got approval from their teachers. Students and parents met prior to the week to discuss the schedule of the week and try some environmental problem solving with a Project WET activity called "A Grave Mistake."

The week began with a row to Palmer's Island for a beach clean up. With the help of Lucy Iannotti and Dave Prentiss of the Whaling City Rowing Club, three boats made their way across

New Bedford Harbor and landed on Palmer's Island. After a picnic lunch, students got right to work with their clean-up efforts. There was an incredible amount and variety of debris that had washed up onto the island – fishing gear, plastic tubs and crates of all sizes, Styrofoam cups and containers from a variety of restaurants and doughnut shops, shoes (we actually found a matching pair), tires, and unfortunately, a headless seal! All together the students removed well over 500 pounds of trash from the island. The New England Aquarium was called in to examine the seal, which was taken to the aquarium for an autopsy.

The next two days were filled with lots of RAIN and indoor experiments. The group gathered data about the adhesion, cohesion, and density of water. They also became stars of the small screen when a reporter from Media One interviewed several students and filmed their experiments for a spot on the local news. They also did a simulation dealing with the development of wetlands. Each group took the role of a different special interest group giving their land development layout and reasons for the design. Heavy debate went on for an hour! One of the students, Kristen Booker, said she is facing the exact problems in her neighborhood, which abut wetlands that are needed for an expansion of the municipal airport.

When the weather broke on Thursday, the students explored the hurricane barrier of the New Bedford Harbor and traveled down 53.2 feet below the surface of the water to cross over onto the Fairhaven side of the barrier. The second phase of the day brought them to the three-year old wastewater treatment plant at Fort Rodman in New Bedford. The plant recycles an amazing 2 million gallons of water an hour and sends 515 tons of solid waste off-site every month. The effluent water released from the plant has helped to restore cleaner and safer waters to Buzzards Bay.

Friday brought predictions of

heavy downpours but luck was with the kids again as they set off to the origins of the Acushnet River to observe the flora and fauna along the river banks and test the water for salinity, dissolved oxygen, nitrogen, and temperature.

They visited several locations moving downstream until returning to the harbor. Due to their continued effort, the students were also able to complete an 8-foot 3-D topographic map of the Acushnet River. It will be on display at the Schooner Ernestina office.

The culminating activity was participating in the Earth Day parade held April 30th. They also set up a display table at the New Bedford YMCA documenting their April Adventure.

A special thanks goes to Chris Newlan, Danielle England from the Mayor's Office, Bob Rocha from the Coalition for Buzzards Bay, Jim Simmons from Hands Across the River, Mike Degrazia from the Army Corps of Engineers, Mike Frades from PSG, Carolyn Dubois, Pauline Macedo, and Jim Bean who all helped make this such a great week. ⌘

Nine White Spruce Felled for Historic Ships

Gloucester Schooner Adventure and Ernestina, distinguished US National Historic Landmarks, have been chosen by the Department of Environmental Management to receive nine white spruce trees for use in restoration of both vessels. The trees, which were felled this winter as part of the continuing effort to revitalize and maintain the state forests, will be used to create new spars for the ships. Woodworker Jay McLaughlin and Assistant Chief Forester Bill Rivers led the project to select suitable trees to build booms, topmasts and gaffs for both ships as traditional spar-makers in Massachusetts have done for centuries.

"The schooners Adventure and Ernestina are a part of the rich heritage that continues to shape the lives of so many New England coastal townspeople today," said Anthony Verga, MA State Represtative. "I am honored to have a role in the renovation of the ships and proud that the Department of Environmental Management has recognized the historical value of these two schooners by donating state trees for the reconstruction of the vessel's spars."

"The restoration of the schooners is a wonderful way to share the rich resources of Massachusetts State Forests with the New England community," said Peter C. Webber, Commissioner of DEM. ⌘

Spring Stay

by Seth Goodwin

Two masts not straight
Stand splayed by winter's hand.
Wood twisted by sleep and short days,
Too much camber and unstayed.

New crew shake out winter's tarp,
Stir rigging from cold racks.
A new season is getting underway,
And it's time to hand the new Spring Stay.

Handy-billy and hemp strops
Tighten the spliced steel cable spine,
With one end shackled to the main,
Pops and groans under bar-tat strain.

I always thought a weak link would give way;
A strop, a block, my arm or a hook.
But together these small parts kept moving the mast
Until the job was done and the stay made fast.

Like continents shift at
Glacial speeds but keep moving,
Two masts moved together
Now stand straight, ready to keep growing. ⌘

Lotus/IBM Grant Update

In our last newsletter we spoke about some great news from Lotus/IBM! Ernestina has been awarded a grant for $15,000, (2) IBM Thinkpads and more than $45,000 in software and licenses for installation of networked electronics aboard Ernestina. With upgrades of our web site to a *Domino* platform and installation of *Learning Space*, learners of all ages will be able to access a new and interactive resource to find out where the ship is, the quality of the waters she traverses and the experiences of those aboard.

We sincerely appreciate this timely and important support from Lotus/IBM. Look for future updates and an announcement of the launching of our new web site sometime late next spring. ⌘

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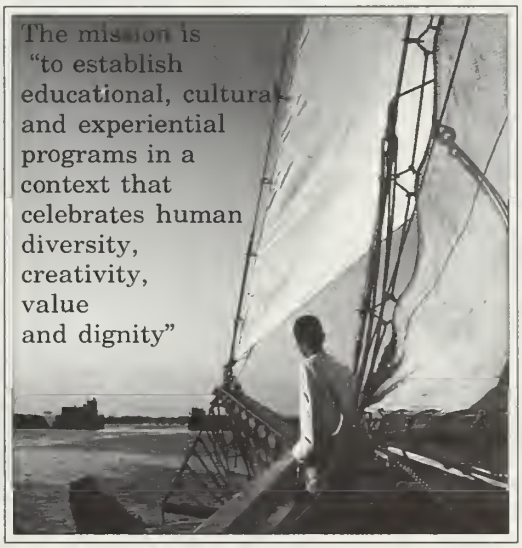

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Schooner Ernestina Announces an Endowment Initiative

The Schooner Ernestina Commission is working closely with the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM) to establish the ***Schooner Ernestina Endowment Fund*** to support the Ernestina's mission.

CFSM, a charitable organization under section 501 (c)(3) of the the IRS code, manages individual funds and resources given by citizens to enhance and support the quality of life in the communities of the Southeastern Massachusetts region. CFSM invests pooled assets and uses the interest income to fund grants benefitting programs for youth, the environment and many other programs.

Give us a call at the Schooner Ernestina office if you have any questions or you may contact CFSM directly if you are ready to act!

Please contact Anne M. Beaulieu, President of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts, for more information at 227 Union Street, Suite 609, New Bedford, MA 02740, Tel. 508-996-8253 and ask her about the ***Schooner Ernestina Endowment Fund***. ⌘

Please check your mailing label for notice of membership due. Memberships are on an annual basis from the date of enrollment. The Schooner Ernestina Commission also makes an annual appeal during late November and December for donations.

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Letter from the Director

The Year 2000 has brought new relationships and a broad awareness of our ship and programs to people throughout the region. Events of TallShips 2000 and OpSail 2000 in ports from Wilmington, DE to Halifax, Nova Scotia created a special focus on Ernestina's story and the power of at-sea and on-the-water programs. We are using this year as a springboard to focus in the 2001 season on watershed education, small boat collaborations and culminating coastal experiences on Ernestina.

We are also embarking on the development of an endowment fund, established earlier this year through the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM). With this in mind, we are seeking key individuals who are able to spearhead the development of the endowment and will join us to secure Ernestina's future.

Many thanks are due to Senator Mark Montigny and Representative Tony Cabral along with Representatives George Rogers and Robert Koczera and their colleagues in the State House for earmarking $250,000 in dedicated operational funds from the Department of Environmental Management in the State Budget. This is the core of the public funding Ernestina's receives and is vital for leverage of other revenues, both public and private that allow us to reach schools and communities with our programs.

We come into the Fall with a great deal of staff energy and optimism. But the measure of success is relative to the size and quality of the volunteer and member involvement. It is in the number of times school children have an experience they will never forget. It is in the eagerness with which support comes from business sponsors and personal contributions by individuals. We ask for your involvement. It is how we know. It is what drives our growth.

If you haven't been there lately, come by for a visit at our new offices at 89 North Water Street and stay for dinner at the newly opened restaurant next door or wander the cobblestoned streets of the National Park. You can also find new places to explore on our web site where daily log pages describe the ship's activities. We recently sent up audio clips of interviews with people who remember the ship in her other lives. There's much more to come over the winter... stay on-line! ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

Martin Suuberg has left his position as Deputy Commissioner at the MA Department of Environmental Management and as commissioner of the Schooner Ernestina Commission. We sincerely appreciate his great efforts for Schoooner Ernestina during the past three years and wish him well in his new position with the MA Department of Environmental Protection. ⌘

Massachusetts Department of EDUCATION

Henry H. Crapo Charitable Foundation Grant

Thanks to a grant in the amount of $4,000 from the Henry H. Crapo Charitable Foundation, the Schooner Ernestina was able to install a new 4KW, 36 nautical mile range Furuno Radar with a compact radome mounted aloft on the main mast. This contribution is timely since Ernestina's previous radar was becoming less reliable and required frequent calls for service. The other nice aspect of this purchase is the move of the radome from the base of the foremast to a visually less obtrusive location with better functional range. ⌘

Island Foundation Funds Internships

Thanks to a three-year $20,000 grant from the Island Foundation, Schooner Ernestina will now be able to build a strong internship program involving young people of the Greater New Bedford area while creating interpretive elements for our museum space and serving the community in other ways. Several individuals have come to work as interns this year so far.

Rebeca Torres is in the History Museum Studies Program at Cooperstown Graduate Program and comes to Schooner ERNESTINA thanks to a grant from the Island Foundation. ERNESTINA and the New Bedford Historical Society are working jointly on a Cape Verdean Immigration Internship for ten weeks this summer to look at immigration patterns and factors of Cape Verdean residence in Greater New Bedford drawing from the censuses of the late 19th and early 20th century. Products will include a database and set of maps with graphic representations of the data.

Patricia Rodrigues recently graduated from New York University with a B.A. in History. She has studied at NYU in Paris, France and has related experiences researching archival materials in Praia, Cape Verde and organizing a conference in Ethiopia. She is fluent in Crioulo, Portuguese and some French and Spanish. Patricia comes to ERNESTINA as a graduate intern helping us build an interactive interpretive display focusing on the Cape Verdean packet trade for our 89 North Water Street facility. She recorded several interviews and created Ernestina's first on-line audio resources that we hope will help visitors to the site develop an understanding of Cape Verdean cultural and maritime stories. Please see http://www.ernestina.org/history/index.html and follow the link from there.

Calvin Arterberry is back again this year as intern for the summer helping us with everything from educational programs to shaving our newly acquired timber to remove the bark for ultimate construction of bowsprit and gaffs. He is a student at New Bedford High School.

Edison DaCosta and **Jonathan DaCosta** are brothers who are at New Bedford High School and came to help ERNESTINA for the summer. Whether aboard from time to time or ashore, we can count on them to be there and do a great job! They help with programs as well as the maintenance of the ship. Edison is back for his third year.

Randy Post-Maher – Randy began this season as a volunteer during the re-rigging of the ship in March and April. She is a Dartmouth home-school high school junior and came aboard for 4 weeks in May. She participated in numerous day sails and worked with the crew to prepare the ship for the sailing season.

Additional positions will be available for the school year for after-school activities for junior high and high school age internships as well as for special projects for graduate level interns. If you are from the Greater New Bedford area and are interested in an internship with the Schooner Ernestina, please write us at P.O. Box 2010, New Bedford, MA 02741-2010, call 508-992-4900 or email at **intern@ernestina.org**.

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SEPTEMBER

25 Cabot LNG Corporation
Boston Fan Pier 10am-1pm
27 Transit Boston to New Bedford
Staff and Volunteers
28 & 29 Westport HS
New Bedford Day Sails
8:30am-12:30pm
29 **Member Sail
New Bedford 5-8pm**
30 Maritime Math Teacher Institute
Call Back Sail 8am-7pm
Transit New Bedford to Fall River

OCTOBER

2 Diman Regional Vocational HS
Fall River Day Sail
9am-1pm
Funded by SEEAL of the CFSM
3 Durfee HS
Fall River Day Sail
9am-1pm
Funded by SEEAL of the CFSM
3 **Member Transit
Transit Sail Fall River to Providence
1:30-5:30pm**
5-6Charles River School
Overnight Sail
Transit Providence to New Bedford
10 New Bedford HS
New Bedford Day Sail
Funded by SEEAL of the CFSM
9am-1pm
10 **Member Sail
New Bedford 5-8pm**
11 Westside HS
Living Treasures Program
New Bedford Day Sail
9am-1pm
Funded by the Dept. of Education
12 Westside HS
New Bedford Day Sail
9am-2pm
14 Mystic Aquarium Sail
New Bedford Day Sail
12-4pm
Call Kim Standish at 860-572-5955
to signup.
15 **Member Transit
Transit New Bedford to Onset
9am-1pm**
16 Watershed to the Bay
Onset Dockside Programs
Funded by SEEAL and the BBAC
Hammond School 9-11am
Decas School 12-2pm

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17 Watershed to the Bay
Onset Dockside Programs
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Center School 9-11am
Center School 12-2pm
18 Watershed to the Bay
Onset Dockside Programs
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Decas School 9-11am
Decas School 12-2pm
19 Watershed to the Bay
Onset Dockside Programs
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Minot Forest School 9-11am
Minot Forest School 12-2pm
20 Wareham HS
Transit Onset to New Bedford
9am-2pm
22 Outdoor Explorations
New Bedford Day Sail
Volunteer Thankyou
12noon-5pm
23-24 MA College of Art
New Bedford Overnight Program
25-27 Watershed to the Bay
Woods Hole Dockside Programs
Funded by SEEAL and the BBAC
Falmouth Schools
9-11am & 12-2pm Daily
27 Last Sailing Day in 2000
30-31 Working on the Water
New Bedford Dockside Programs
9-11am & 11:30am-1:30pm Daily

NOVEMBER

1-2, 6-7 Working on the Water
Dockside Programs with the New
Bedford Public Schools 9-11am Daily
9 AHA! at 89North Water Street
"Bounty of the SouthCoast"
sample fare of the ship's three lives.

DECEMBER

1-9 Wilderness First Responder
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"Histories and Mysteries"
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Saturday, February 10 3-7pm
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Pete Seeger, founder and mentor of the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, envisions the Ships to Save the Waters (StStW) Conference as a venue for networking water-based programs, sharing environmental educational methodologies and exposing the work of educational ships to the public-at-large. Hosting organizations have invited ships and small boat programs with environmental messages to participate in a weekend where environmental issues and education will harmonize with the Maritime Heritage Day and the Center Street Fair in the Historic Waterfront District and the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park.

The Vision

The waters of the world are precious. Traditional sailing vessels and small water craft are magical places where waters share their secrets and expose our vulnerability. StStW brings these special ships and boats together, broadcasts their message and recruits new stewards for sustainable, healthy world waters for this and future generations.

The Mission of the Conference

To inform and inspire the creation and sustainability of water-borne programs for protection, preservation, restoration and celebration of our waters. More specifically, conference participants will take a close look at the Buzzards Bay region and develop a model for using natural, cultural and educational resources in a collaborative way to serve the stated mission.

Conference Description

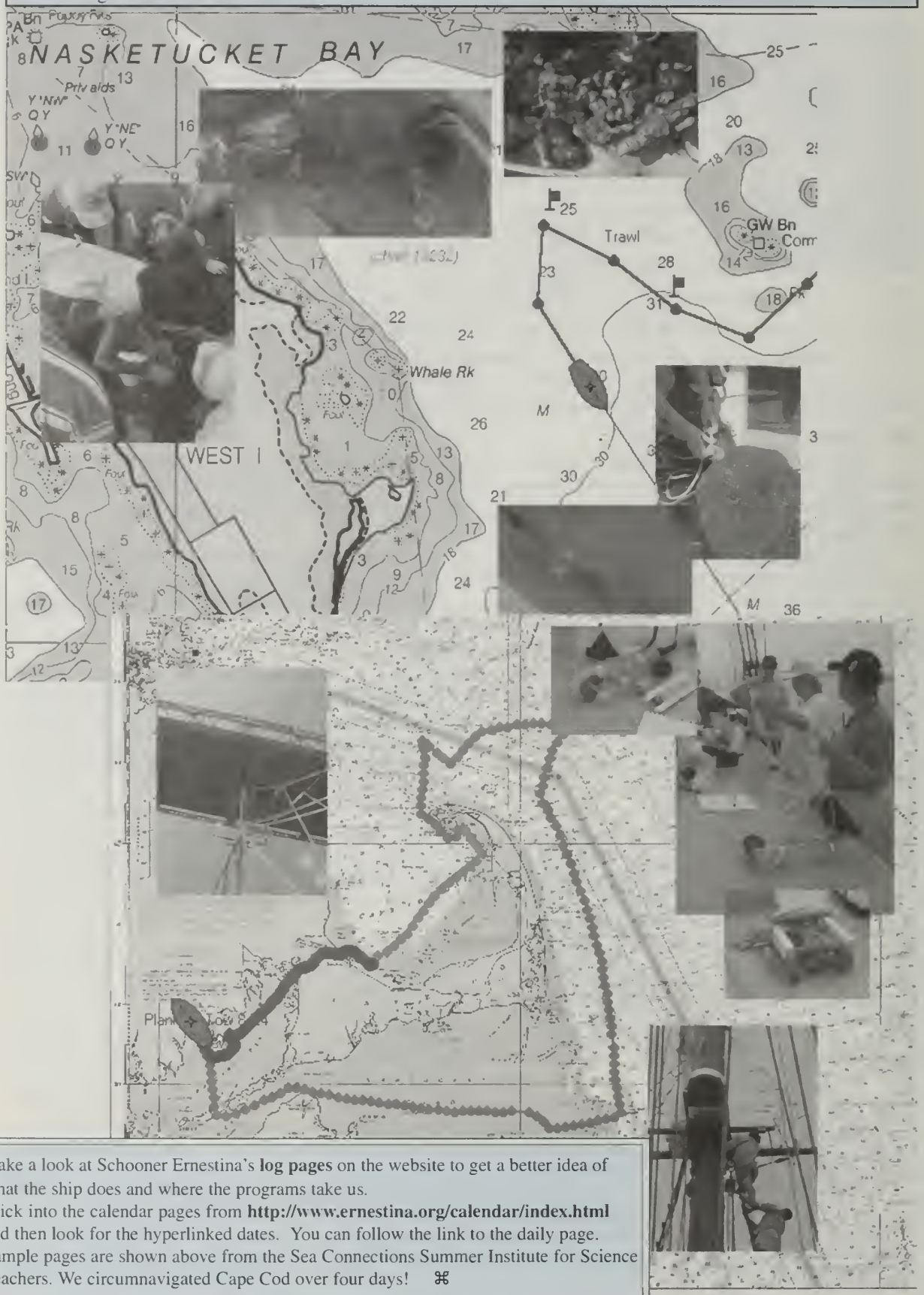
A series of panels and workshops will be offered to focus on critical aspects of programs launched from both small boats and larger ships with special attention to the community relationships and constituency building necessary for any initiative to grow and take hold. Representatives from organizations as well as interested individuals and experts in related fields will come together to form alliances and generate collaborative spirit for sharing resources and expertise.

Early arrivals coming in on Friday afternoon will be invited to a buffet dinner with some introductory comments and informal sharing. Organizations will have space to set up displays for the weekend and lay out any brochures or other information they would like to share. Berths will be available on Schooner Ernestina and other participating vessels for overnight accommodation on a first come first served basis.

The conference will officially begin on Saturday morning at 8am with opening remarks and housekeeping details. Next, presentations will be made to give an overview of the range of activities taking place on the water and to introduce resource people who will be available during the balance of the conference. Participants will break into smaller working groups to develop a visioning process focused on creating a real model with results to be brought back to the conference-at-large later in the afternoon for a preliminary report.

During Sunday, the final day of the conference, participants will draw on the knowledge and best thinking of the day before to create a model for using water-based programs in the Southeastern Massachusetts region to encourage stewardship and involvement.

A briefing book will be sent to all registered participants in advance of the conference. There will be a small registration fee to cover some of the expense of materials and meals. Conference results will be published. The fee for the conference is $25. Look for more details in the next newsletter and on-line this winter. Mark your calendars! Call 508-992-4900 or email at ststw@ernestina.org to get on the update list. ⌘



Take a look at Schooner Ernestina's **log pages** on the website to get a better idea of what the ship does and where the programs take us.
Click into the calendar pages from **http://www.ernestina.org/calendar/index.html** and then look for the hyperlinked dates. You can follow the link to the daily page. Sample pages are shown above from the Sea Connections Summer Institute for Science Teachers. We circumnavigated Cape Cod over four days! ⌘

Youth, Small Boats and the Schooner Ernestina

Beginning last fall, the Schooner Ernestina, in collaboration with The Little Boat Shop, Wareham Public Schools, the Whaling City Rowing Club and the YMCA, took part in a South Coast Learning Network project called *Walkabout*. Twelve students built boats, participated in ropes courses, orienteering, rock climbing, whale boat rowing and several day trips on board the Ernestina. *Walkabout* students were not attending school and had experienced difficulties at home and in their communities. However, many of these same youth excelled at boat building requiring math, measurement, following directions, decision making and other skills that they were struggling with in the traditional school setting. They built six boats during the six month program! Onboard Ernestina they worked as a team to set sails, stand a watch and steer the ship. They attended stations in science, physics, navigation and history and followed up in their classroom with these topics. Experiential/adventure learning helps students reengage in learning, show better school attendance, feel pride about their accomplishments and learn to take appropriate risks.

Ernestina coordinated another program this summer in collaboration with New Bedford's West Side Alternative Jr./Senior High School, The Little Boat Shop, and New Directions. In 6 weeks these youth built 3 Shell Back Dinghies as part of a summer work program.

We are looking forward to continuing the boat building project this school year with plans to build two "bigger" small boats, 24 foot White Hall Gigs. The gigs have four rowing stations and a coxswain, each boat can take two additional persons and gear. These same boats are built and used by several east coast youth programs in New York, Boston and Lake Champlain.

The gigs will provide the youth of this area access to the harbor and other waterways in their community and will be used for science and math classes as well as after school and summer programs. New Bedford youth will be able to participate in events sponsored by other youth small boating programs.

Our goal at Schooner Ernestina is to create a continuum of service components that will begin in the classroom, move to the small boats and the local waterways and culminate onboard the Ernestina. ⌘

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During *Maritime Mathematics* Summer Content Institute in late July and early August, teachers spent five days developing a comprehensive knowledge of mathematics as it relates to the learning standards for their grade level in the classroom at Bridgewater State College. Then, during the second week of the institute, they traveled to New Bedford for a series of hands-on workshops, both on the water aboard Schooner Ernestina for day-sails and ashore, in applied mathematics focused on navigation, scientific sampling, spar construction, buoyancy and the technology of a 19th century schooner. After a period of independent study participants are back September 30th for an underway callback to apply concepts and reinforce their experience on the ship.

Over the winter teachers will develop course units for their classrooms and come back for a callback in the spring once again where they will present course units and look at methods of student assessment.

Images shown depict activities designed to look at stability, displacement, and the physics of mass and volume. Teachers experienced the ship first hand on the bowsprit furling sails.

Look for this institute again next year along with *Sea Connections* for science teachers and *Portraits of a Port* for history teachers.

Many thanks to Ron Norsworthy, Cara Streck and Frank Giuliano from Bridgewater State College as well as great friend to Ernestina, Paul Anthony! ⌘

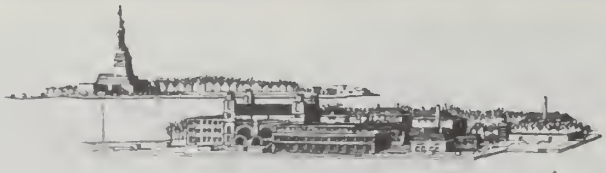
~Ernestina Soccer Team~

Soccer seems to be the new happening sport. Schooner Ernestina, through a donation from Rick McDowell, has sponsored a youth soccer team, coached by Arminio Lopes. They play against other sponsored teams organized by the New Bedford Youth Soccer Association (NBYSA). Proudly wearing their "Schooner Ernestina" shirts, the team plays every Saturday morning, now through November 11th, at Carter Brooks School in New Bedford. Come out and support the team! ⌘

~Fishermen Remembered~

During the Gloucester Schooner Race over Labor Day weekend a new monument was unveiled on Gloucester's Western Avenue near the famous Fisherman's Statue led by Joe Garland and Linda Greenlaw as guest speaker .

Aboard Ernestina a wreath was dedicated to the memory of fishermen lost at sea. In the photo Clarence Rudolf and Jeff Hynes say a few words, we pause for moment of silence and the wreath is over in the tide. The silence is broken by a sea song from crew members Sophie Morse and Gordon Sims. ⌘



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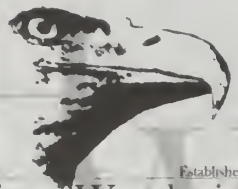

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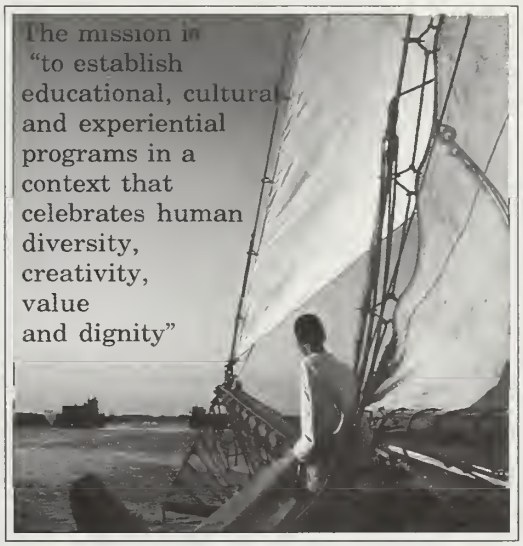

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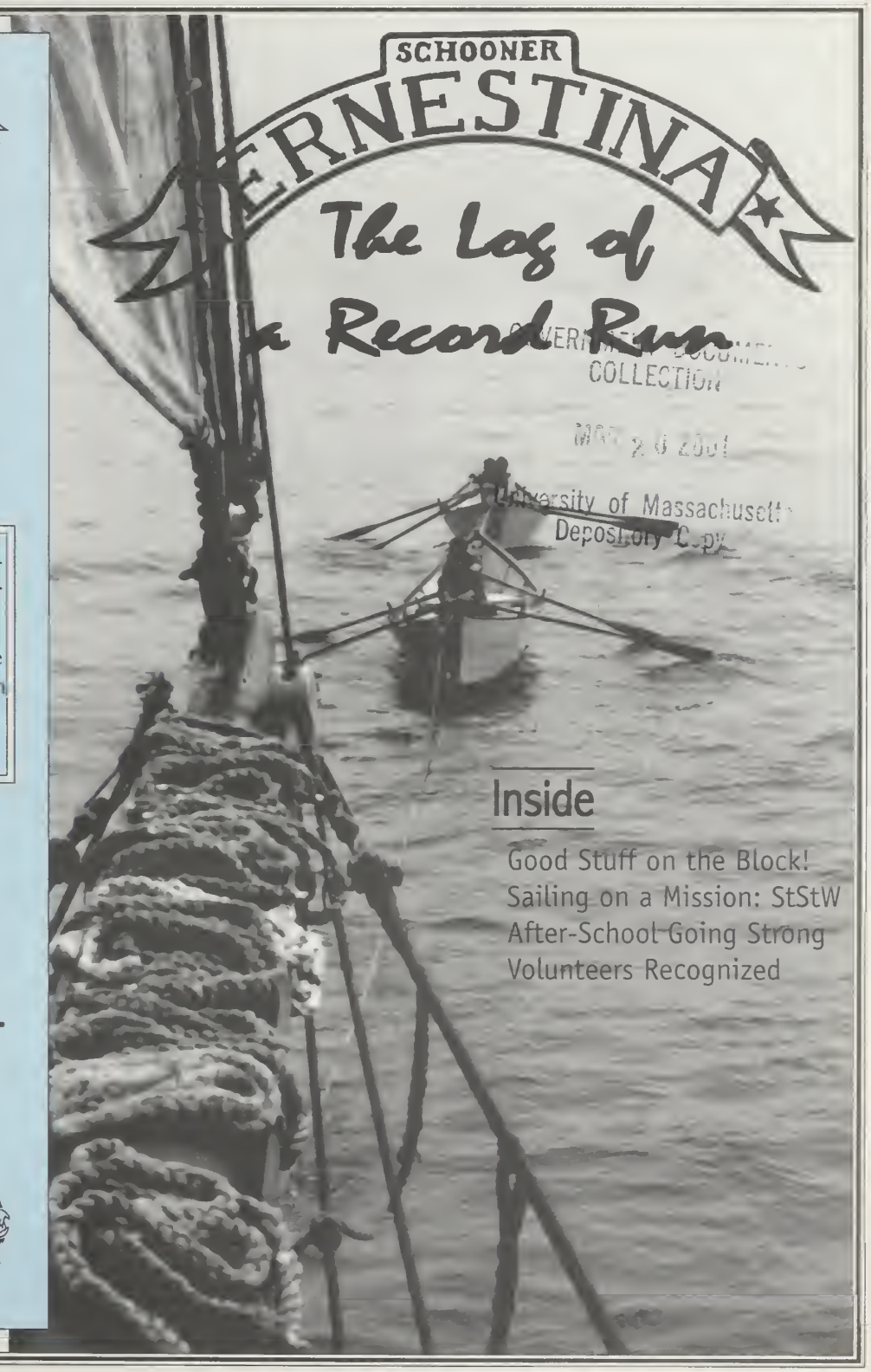

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We would like to extend a sincere thanks to all of you who responded to our annual appeal this year to make it one of the most successful we've had. One hundred percent of funding received through the appeal goes directly to underwriting programs for schools in Massachusetts and community-based organizations of New England. If not for these funds, many schools could not afford to participate nor would many school children have the opportunity for a 'powerful learning experience they will never forget.'

We are proud of our role in partnership with other organizations in the development of the Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL) founded in 1997 under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM). SEEAL is the model used in the development of the recently approved Massachusetts Environmental Education Plan (MEEP), a master plan for the state. We will continue to help bring the community resources into the schools and school children in touch with their communities.

This winter we have staff members working on new initiatives for the coming year. Our volunteer program is expanding with more opportunities both afloat and ashore. Thanks to a grant from the Island Foundation, we are able to offer paid internship positions to high school, undergraduate and graduate students from New Bedford who will help us more effectively tell stories out of the ship's rich history or work with us to develop our educational programs.

There are some encouraging efforts underway in preservation, education and community. We look forward to working alongside those whom would step aboard and join us for a time. ⌘

Gregg Swanzey, Director

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Auction being planned as benefit for ship

By Joanna McQuillan Weeks, Assistant features editor, New Bedford Standard-Times

How do you plan a birthday party for a grand old ship?

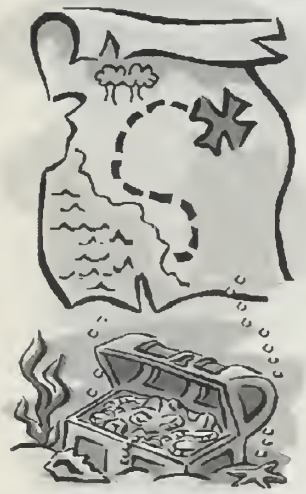
"Every year for the last five we've done something to celebrate Ernestina's birthday," explained Tom Goux, public program director for the Schooner Ernestina. These events have ranged from Polar Bear Tales, an afternoon of family activities, to dinner dances titled "Viva Ernestina!"

"This year we thought we'd celebrate and do some fund-raising at the same time," Mr. Goux said. Therefore, planning is under way for **Ernestina's Bayside Birthday Auction, set for 3 to 7 p.m. Feb. 10 in the F.A. Sowle Building**, home to the Schooner Ernestina's offices and museum.

Donations of items to be auctioned are being sought. Categories include nautical fashions (from oilskins to shore duds); ship's chandlery (accessories, fittings, electronics, etc.); bosun's locker (hardware and tools); shoreside supplies (goods for the home); from the ancient mariners (antiques); liberty passes (certificates, tickets, entertainment, culinary and cultural pursuits); and Neptune's gallery (marine art and sculpture). Special items will be showcased in the rare treasures area. Donations are tax deductible.

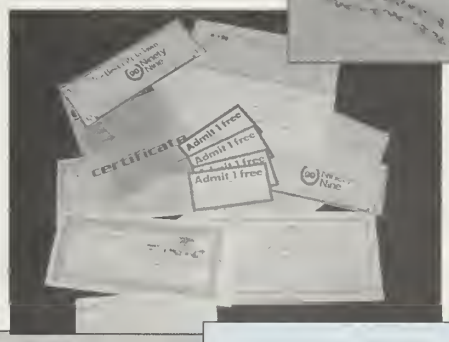
"Many have put great effort into gathering some wonderful things for the auction block," Mr. Goux said.

Among the offerings collected so far are a Naushon Island tour by water, a year's membership at the YMCA, a Yamaha acoustic guitar from the Symphony Music Shop, fashions from local clothiers, restaurant gift certificates and much more. **Compass Rose Auctions** will be handling the auctioneering. "We're also selling ads in our program as a fund-raising effort," Mr. Goux said.



Ernestina's Bayside Birthday Auction will begin with previewing at 3:00 pm and bidding beginning at 5:30 pm. There will be music and light refreshments, with a cash bar supplied by the **Essence Grill**.

"We made it a late afternoon/early evening event that we hope will encourage people to come downtown early and then go on to dinner at one of the local restaurants," Mr. Goux said.



Tickets to the birthday auction are $10.

For more information about making a donation or purchasing a program-book ad or tickets, call the Schooner Ernestina office at (508) 992-4900.

Items may be dropped off between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays at 89 N. Water St., New Bedford.

Do you have something you would like to donate to Ernestina for the Auction? We are accepting items right up through February 9th!

Calendar

JANUARY

27 Historic Massachusetts, Inc.
Annual Meeting, Rabb Lecture Hall
Boston Public Library 10am

FEBRUARY

All Month
Schooner Ernestina will be hauled out at Kelley's Shipyard for work on the hull and US Coast Guard inspection.

4 Polar Bear Tales
SCHOONER ERNESTINA & THE NEW BEDFORD WHALING MUSEUM: "POLAR BEARS TALES"
18 Johnny Cake Hill, Jacobs Gallery, New Bedford. Wheelchair Accessible.
Time: 12 – 3 PM.
Admission: Free.

7 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5:00pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street
New Bedford

7 Schooner Ernestina Commission
Quarterly Meeting 5:30-7:30 pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street
New Bedford

10 Ernestina's Bayside Birthday Auction
Special Event! 3-7pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street
New Bedford

13 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11:00am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor
New Bedford

25 Westport River Watershed Alliance
Annual Meeting 11am-2pm
Back Eddy
Horseneck Beach, Westport
Call 508-636-3016 for details.

MARCH

7 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5:00pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street
New Bedford

13 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11:00am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor
New Bedford

20 Ernestina Crew Return
Re-rigging begins and prepare for sailing season. Volunteers needed! Call for work dates.

APRIL

4 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5 pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street
New Bedford

10 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor
New Bedford

Polar Bear Tales Returns

The fifth annual Polar Bear Tales will be held on Sunday, February 4th, 12 noon to 3pm in the Jacobs Family Gallery of the New Bedford Whaling Museum. . This family event is jointly hosted by the Schooner Ernestina Commission and the New Bedford Whaling Museum. There will be no admission charge to enter the Gallery.

The afternoon activities celebrate the 107th anniversary of the launching of Schooner Ernestina, her two decades of Arctic expeditions in the 1920's and 30's, and the arctic era of the New Bedford whaling fleet as seen in the Whaling Museum collection and interpretation.

Games, craft activities, exhibits and refreshments will carry the theme of arctic adventure. The Jacobs Gallery will become a "Polar Playground" offering such contests as: "The Tusk, Tusk Walrus," "Pin the Nose on the Narwhal", "The Snowshoe Shuffle", "Bear Facts" Trivia Contest, and "The Growler Toss".

The Whaling Museum Staff will lead a special "Sailor's Valentine" craft project for kids of all ages. All materials are provided and participants will be able to leave with their finished handiwork.

Videos of historic films will be shown of northern whaling voyages along with thrilling 16mm sound footage from the 1930's, showing the Effie M. Morrissey (Schooner Ernestina) sailing above 80 degrees north latitude. These true-life, action sequences capture not only the real-time exploits of whale hunters and arctic explorers, but also include rare photographic documentation of the older, preWWII, Inuit culture of Greenland's western coast.

Refreshments will be served at 2:30pm and will feature the traditional "Schooner Ernestina Birthday Cake" designed ⌘

The **SOUTHEASTERN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ALLIANCE (SEEAL)** meets from 9-11am on the second Tuesday of the month on the 6th floor in the Conference Room at Peoples Bank, 227 Union Street, New Bedford. SEEAL formed in 1997 under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM) to encourage stewardship in the southeastern Massachusetts region.

S · E · E · A · L
Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance

The **WATERFRONT COMMUNITY FORUM** meets from 4-5pm on the first Wednesday of the month at the Schooner Ernestina offices in the F.A. Sowle Building at 89 North Water Street, New Bedford. The forum is a gathering of individuals, businesses and organizations to hear presentations and discuss topics relevant to the Fairhaven-New Bedford Waterfront and Harbor.

Lotus
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Sailing on a Mission for our Waters

We have long known that sailing ships offer powerful multi-disciplinary learning experiences to people of all ages. We have witnessed the global impact of modern civilization on water quality and ecological health of our waterways, coastal environments and, indeed, the oceans thousands of miles from shore. Today, many ships have come to serve missions both as educators as well as flagships for protecting and restoring the health of coastal and ocean ecosystems.

In 1972 the Clean Water Act was passed. Regulatory provisions imposed progressively more stringent requirements on industries and cities in order to meet the statutory goal of zero discharge of pollutants. Other provisions authorized federal financial assistance for municipal wastewater treatment construction. Industries were to meet pollution control limits first by use of Best Practicable Technology and later by improved Best Available Technology. Cities were to achieve secondary treatment of municipal wastewater, or better if needed, to meet water quality standards.

The most recent amendments to the Clean Water Act, enacted in February 1987, as the Water Quality Act of 1987 culminate six years of congressional efforts to extend and revise the Act and are the most comprehensive amendments to it since 1972. They recognize that, despite much progress to date, significant water quality problems persist.

The 1987 amendments add Section 319 to the Act, under which states are required to develop and implement programs to control non-point sources of pollution, or rainfall runoff from farm and urban areas, as well as construction, forestry, and mining sites. Previously, the Act had largely focused on controlling point sources, while helping states and localities to plan for management of diverse non-point sources. Yet, as industrial and municipal sources have abated pollution, uncontrolled non-point sources have become a relatively larger portion of remaining water quality problems — perhaps contributing as much as 50% of the nation's water pollution.

Now, more than ever, on account of significant population growth along waterways and in coastal areas of the United States, broad-based grassroots efforts are critical for the protection and restoration of water resources. Education and local planning efforts are necessary to expose and control non-point sources of pollution from sources such as septic systems, stormwater runoff, chemical use (pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers) and emissions from marine engines such as outboards and jetskis. New approaches to planning around 'smart growth' and 'livable communities' initiatives are helping communities as well as businesses consider sustainable approaches. Businesses are coming to realize that "anything leaving the premises as a waste stream, instead of a revenue stream, is both an environmental liability and a drain on profits." A long term effort is necessary for a lasting impact.

Another recent development centers around school reform. The *Environment as an Integrating Context* for learning (EIC) defines a framework for education that uses the surroundings and community as resources for learners as they construct their own learning. Assessments show that students perform better in EIC programs than traditional learning environments. The effects of the EIC approach and multi-disciplinary shipboard educational experiences as we observe on the water are similar. This similarity suggests that merging compatible classroom-based and water-borne programs would reinforce each other.

There is a great example of a ship built for this new type of service in response to current needs. In 1966, a handful of river-lovers, inspired by Pete and Toshi Seeger, decided to change the course of events that was destroying the Hudson River in New York, and reclaim a natural treasure for us all. They wanted to dramatize the river's plight, recall its history, and help guide its future. They wanted to provide their fellow citizens with a first-hand look at the neglect and pollution of the river, and move them to action. So they built a sloop and named it *Clearwater*.

More than thirty years later *Clearwater* is still under full sail with other ships working for similar missions: to defend and restore our waters and waterways. Tens of thousands of school children are served every year in coastal and inland waterways throughout the United States. Schooner *Adventuress* sails Puget Sound (Washington), Schooners *Lady Maryland* and *Sultana* run programs in the Chesapeake, Schooner *A.J. Meerwald*, official vessel of New Jersey, plies the Delaware River, Schooners *Quinnipiack* and *Sound Waters* serve Long Island Sound (Connecticut), Schooners *Inland Seas* (Michigan) and *Denis Sullivan* (Wisconsin) sail the Great Lakes,

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New Bedford Sea Chantey Chorus

50 Salty Singers Wanted, No Experience Necessary!

A new musical group is forming, The New Bedford Sea Chantey Chorus, to celebrate the rich maritime heritage of the city through traditional sailors' songs. Organized by Schooner Ernestina Program Director, Tom Goux, who will serve as conductor and coach of the singers, the **chorus is meeting on Wednesday evenings 6:00-7:30pm** at the Schooner Ernestina office, 89 Water St., New Bedford.

"We're getting together to simply enjoy and share these songs – the chanteys, ballads and ditties of the New England seafarers. None of this music requires expert voices or trained singers," says Tom, a recognized authority on the history and interpretation of maritime music. "The chorus will sing harmonized songs in the tenor, baritone and bass ranges. **All interested singers who can sing in those ranges, men and women, are welcome.** There are no auditions."

"We'll begin with familiar New England chanteys, or sailors' work songs. As the chorus develops, we'll expand the song list to include tunes of whalers and fishermen. Our repertoire will eventually echo the seafaring traditions of the Cape Verde Islands, Portugal, the Azores, the Canadian Maritime Provinces, the British Isles and the Pacific Rim, all areas with strong cultural ties to the city."

The ***Moby-Dick*** **150th** celebration will give this group many performance opportunities during 2001. Initial performance goals will focus on Maritime Heritage Day, June 2. Schooner Ernestina has helped lay the plans for the year-long festivities that will celebrate Melville's classic work.

Those interested in more information regarding the chorus should call the Schooner Ernestina Office, (508)992-4900. ⌘

Artist Underway Exhibit

During November's AHA, Westport artist Barbara Healy and Delaware artist Jack Wiberg exhibited their works at Artworks! on Dover Street which were created during the Tall Ships 2000 Artist Sail.

During their 7-day trip down the Delaware River from Philadelphia, through the C&D Canal and back to Wilmington, Barbara and Jack studied the form and function of the Schooner Ernestina. Their exhibit featured scenes of shipboard life, Ernestina on the Delaware, the Parade of Sail in Wilmington, DE and collections from other areas of their work.

For further contact with these gifted artists, Mr. Wiberg can be reached at 302-226-0203, by email at Wibergart@aol.com, or on the web at www.lewestoday.com/wiberg. Ms. Healy can be reached through the Ernestina office. ⌘

Artists Will Sail Again!

This coming sailing season we plan to expand our offerings to artists to provide more of these kinds of opportunities. Please look for postings in future newsletters and on Ernestina's web site.

If there is interest in forming a committee of artists to take a look at how Ernestina could help raise maritime art to new levels in the public eye, please let us know! ⌘

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After School Program Enters Third Year

Schooner Ernestina was awarded grant funding through New Bedford's Mayor Frederick Kalisz's Invest-In-Kids program for the third consecutive year. During the 2000-2001 school year, four different after school programs will be held at the Ernestina office in downtown New Bedford.

Two programs began in September. The "Crew" group, which meets Tuesday and Wednesday, involves students from New Bedford public and private junior highs. They have toured the ship, participated in the fall derigging of Ernestina, rowed with the Whaling City Rowing Club, took a walking tour of the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, and designed nautical holiday decorations. In the spring, these 25 students will visit Salem, Gloucester, and Mystic with their families to learn more about New England's sea-faring traditions, design and build their own models of Ernestina, tour commercial fishing vessels and sail onboard the ship.

Students from the Hayden-McFadden and Gomes Elementary Schools' 4-H program continue to meet on Friday afternoons. There are a record 18-5th and 6th graders involved with this year's group. In their effort to promote volunteerism and community service, the kids have enthusiastically helped with several mailings along side with some of our adult volunteers, Bill and Irene Morin and Eva Morris. The group had a wonderful time preparing for the holidays by creating full-body size puppets that were their costumes for the annual downtown Christmas caroling. Over 15 businesses received the gift of song from our junior troubadours! This spring, they too will create three models of Ernestina, which will be donated upon completion. Last year, Mayor Kalisz was the recipient of a 4-H-built Ernestina model.

A new and exciting program will begin on January 22, 2001 – Captains Courageous – the play. Ernestina volunteer and Friends Academy music teacher, Jim Bean has been busy creating the script framework that 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students will develop. This student production will feature members of the troupe in acting, singing, set design, and writing positions. The

performance will take place in the Whaling Museum Theater during Maritime Heritage Day on June 2, 2001. Watch future newsletters for updates! We might be bound for Broadway!

Our final program for this school year will be the 2nd Annual April Vacation Watershed Adventure. Here, New Bedford 6th grade students will learn about the properties of water, tour the New Bedford Hurricane Barrier and the New Bedford Wastewater Treatment Plant, participate in the Earth Day Parade and follow the Acushnet River to discover the diversity of their hometown watershed.

Several of these programs still have openings. Please call the Ernestina office at 508-992-4900 or email Polly Zajac at pzajac@ernestina.org for more information

We appreciate the support from the Mayor's Office and City of New Bedford Human Resources Office for their support and funding of these projects. ⌘

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Westport River Watershed Alliance

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Bob and Chris Williamson at Symphony Music Shop
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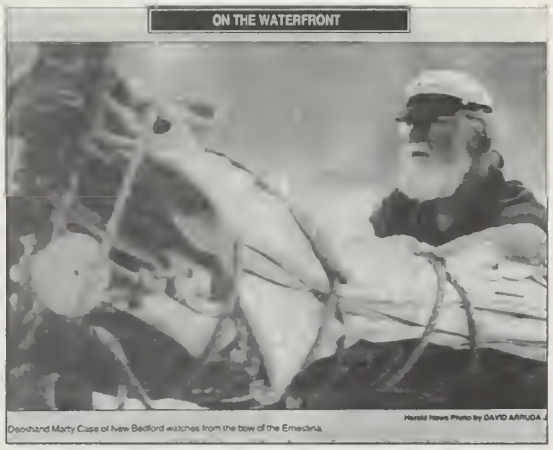
Marty and Sandra Casey Aboard for a Sail

Volunteers Deserve Our Recognition

The United Nations has designated 2001 the "International Year of the Volunteer", and the Schooner Ernestina is taking up the worldwide charge to build stronger communities through volunteering. Volunteers have always played an important role in the Ernestina's work, and this year we are creating a more organized program, that will offer wider variety of opportunities and easy ways for volunteers to get involved. Working along side our crew and staff, both on the ship and onshore, you may get involved in sailing, teaching, ship-board maintenance, special events and a variety of other activities

As part of our program, we will be making every effort to recognize the contributions of our volunteers. In January 2001, Ernestina nominated three of its long-standing volunteers, Paul and Louise Anthony and Marty Casey, for a *Yankee* Community Partner's Award. Sponsored by Yankee Magazine, this award is to "recognize individuals who serve to better their local communities and New England." We would like to thank Marty, Paul and Louise for their efforts, as well as all of our other dedicated volunteers for their time and participation. Without all their work, the Ernestina community would not be where it is today.

Paul Anthony on the Bowsprit During "Maritime Mathematics" (4th from rt)



Marty Casey on Ernestina's Bowsprit

Another change is that Laurie Weitzen, our ship's steward, will be spending some time focusing her efforts on the Ernestina's human resources, as the volunteer, intern and apprentice coordinator. She is currently working to organize and expand the existing programs, and will be coordinating participation in upcoming events.

David Eatough and David Monk along to support the City of New Bedford After-School Students Program at OpSail in New York Harbor in July 2000 (each end of back row)

Eva Morris Presenting a Donation to Schooner Ernestina's Tom Goux for the After-School Programs with Bill and Irene Morin looking on.

Look to the Ernestina website in the coming months for more information on how you can get involved. Online, applications are available to download. Soon there will be a calendar for volunteer opportunities posted, and updated regularly. If you have any questions, or would like to get more involved, please call Laurie at our office. ⌘

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Sloop *Providence* sails Narragansett Bay (Rhode Island) and Schooner *Ernestina*, official vessel of Massachusetts, sails the bays of the Bay State from New Bedford. *Amara Zee* sails from seaport to seaport as a stage-barge with sail rigging becoming stage rigging and crew becoming actors alongside for shows with social and environmental messages. There are others in a growing list both in the United States and abroad.

Along with the dramatic rise in water-borne activity comes the need for exchange and sharing between organizations. In July 2000, just prior to the Parade of Sail in New York Harbor, the first annual "Ships to Save the Waters" (StStW) Conference was held thanks to the inspiration of Pete Seeger who envisioned a venue for networking water-based programs, sharing environmental educational methodologies and exposing the work of these ships to the public-at-large. Schooner *A.J. Meerwald*, Sloop *Clearwater* and Schooner *Ernestina* organized and hosted the event along with sponsorship from the Liberty State Park Development Corporation in Jersey City, New Jersey. A vision statement was developed: "*The waters of the world are precious. Traditional sailing vessels are magical places where waters share their secrets and expose our vulnerability. StStW brings these special vessels together, broadcasts their message and recruits new stewards for sustainable, healthy world waters for this and future generations.*" Madame Francine Cousteau, president of The Cousteau Society, was the keynote speaker along with Luis Garden Acosta of El Puente Academy.

> The mission of the conference is to *"inform and inspire the creation and sustainability of water-borne programs for protection, preservation, restoration and celebration of our waters."*

Following the successful conference held at Liberty State Park in July 2000, a second annual *Ships to Save the Waters Conference* will be hosted by the Schooner Ernestina Commission and regional environmental and on-the-water experiential organizations during June 1st through 3rd, 2001 at the F.A. Sowle Building in the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park in New Bedford.

Representatives from organizations as well as interested individuals and experts in related fields will come together to form alliances and generate collaborative spirit for sharing resources and expertise. Participation is expected from TallShip organizations as well as the Riverkeepers, rowing clubs, environmental educational organizations, sailing school vessels, small boat builders, watershed alliances, etc. The conference will be open to the public-at-large.

A series of panels and workshops will be offered to focus on critical aspects of watershed and marine-based programs launched from both small boats and larger ships with special attention to the community relationships and constituency building necessary for any initiative to grow and take hold. As a specific project, participants will use a charrette format to take a close look at the southern New England region and develop a model for using natural, cultural and educational resources in a collaborative way to address current priorities.

This project will bring together an international community and broad expertise to bear on development of a strategy for using watersheds, coastal environments and watercraft to inspire stewardship of the fragile water ecosystems. The model will be applicable in many of the home communities of the participants and will help local and regional organizations come together in a focused way to build public awareness and stewardship in this area. Published results will serve as a template for future conferences, guide next steps within the region and as a tool for stimulating interest in the press for follow-up articles.

Please visit our webpage at http://www.ernestina.org/StStW.html for a description of the activities of last year and for registration information for this years conference June 1-3, 2001. ⌘

~References~

A Congressional Research Service Issue Brief is made available to the public by the National Council for Science and the Environment on Water Quality: Interpreting the Clean Water Act on the Internet. Please see http://www.cnie.org/nle/h2o-15.html with more resources at http://www.cnie.org/nle for more information.

For more information about Sustainability, please see the Florida Sustainable Communities Center website at http://sustainable.state.fl.us and links through the US Department of Energy site at http://www.sustainable.doe.gov/

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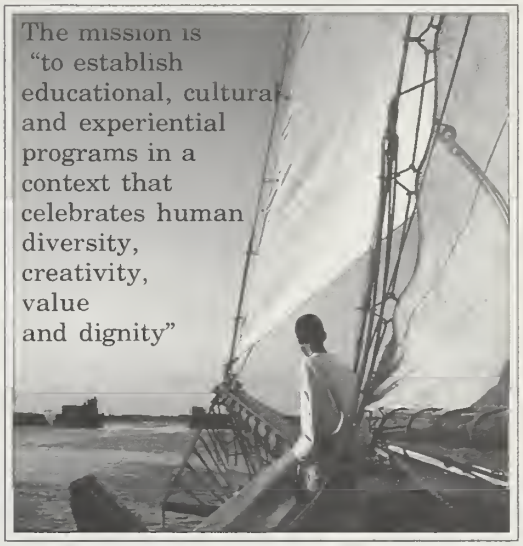

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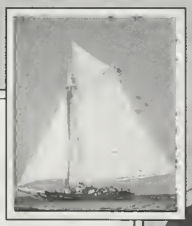

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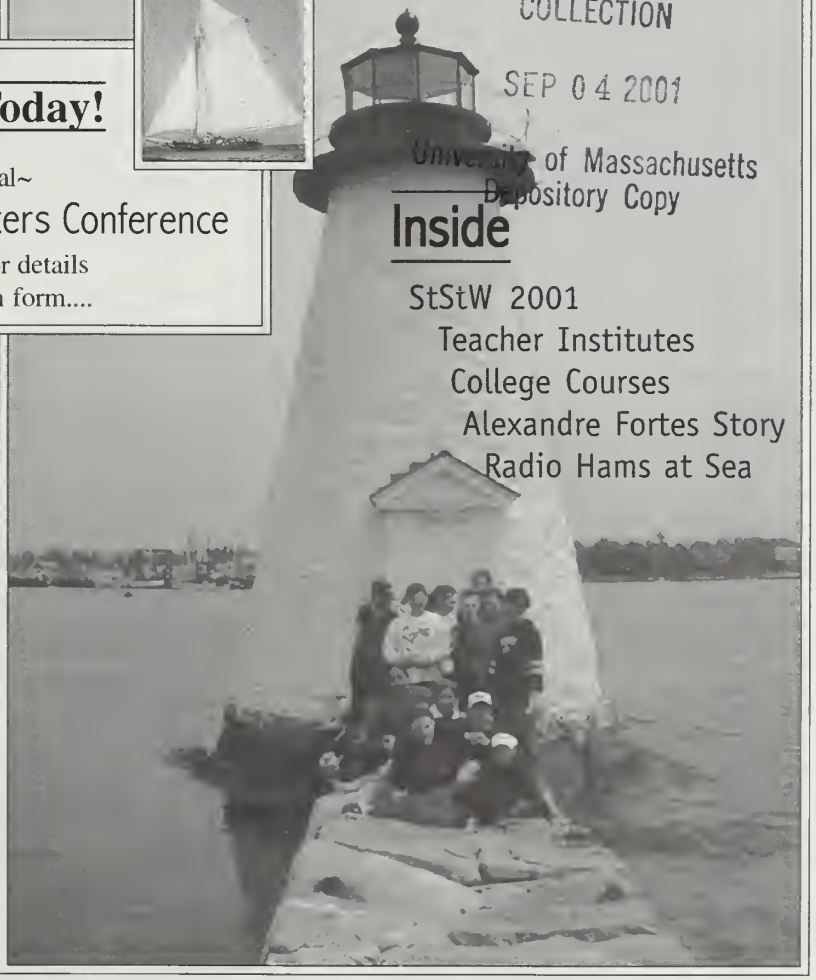

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The Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission is a nine member agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts enabled by legislation found in Chapter 6 of the General Laws signed by Governor William Weld January 13, 1994. The Commission is placed in the Department of Environmental Management and includes designees of Commissioner Peter Webber of DEM, Commissioner David Driscoll of the Department of Education and Ms. Mary Jane McKenna, Director of Office of Travel and Tourism and six other residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The commissioners are appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellucci.

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CoverPhoto
Students pose in front of the Palmers Island light after a clean-up of the Island as part of the Ernestina's Spring Vacation Programs funded by the City of New Bedford *Invest-in-Kids* Program.

Letter from the Director

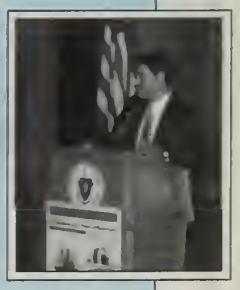
Is there a higher priority than education facing us today? The White House and Congress in Washington and State Houses across the nation apply more public resources toward effective programs and reforming school systems. Businesses search for talent that will enable growth into the 21st century. Municipalities envisioning prosperous futures know effective schools and environmental quality are the linchpins for a growing economy. Parents and their children are challenged when they look at prospects for entering top-notch colleges or seeking meaningful work. Students must be equipped to handle our increasingly complex world.

Exciting new strategies are transforming educational approaches. Whether called 'education for sustainability.' 'place-based' education or 'community-based'education the search is on for real and meaningful experiences for school children placed in a local context and collaborative in nature. Multi-disciplinary approaches help students make connections and understand 'why they need to learn this stuff.' Powerful learning fits components together for quality, content and connection.

Schooner Ernestina is a powerful learning place with contextural qualities of a rich history rooted in the maritime traditions of Massachusetts, New England and the Canadian Maritimes. Ernestina's cultural connections run deep in many coastal communities. Math and science concepts abound as students navigate and explore coastal waters while operating a traditionally rigged ship. Schooner Ernestina exists today serving a mission of education.

We are thankful, once again this year, for the superior effort by the southeastern Massachusetts legislative delegation led by Senator Mark Montigny and Representative Tony Cabral along with Senators Marc Pacheco and Joan Menard and Representatives Robert Koczera, George Rogers, John Quinn, William Straus, Michael Rodrigues and Ruth Provost in our efforts to secure core funding to enable Ernestina to serve elementary and secondary schools of our region. We appreciate the support from legislators across the state who realize Ernestina is the 'official vessel of the Comonwealth' providing programs to citizens from many communities, Cape Ann to the Berkshires and beyond, as well as home waters of Buzzards Bay.

Schooner Ernestina is famous as a highliner from Gloucester's 19th century fishing wharves, internationally known as an Arctic explorer beyond both Davis and Bering Straits, and embodies a cultural Cape Verdean link across the wide Atlantic. The ship has proven herself today as a educator from Massachusetts worthy of emulation.The Schooner Ernestina Commission has been advocating for a specific line item in the State Budget to be established so that the impact and legacy of Ernestina can be secure for generations to come. This has not been accomplished yet. We hope the time is drawing near when this step can be taken. We no longer need to explain why... We hope it is more a question of when. ⌘



Gregg Swanzey, Director

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Ships to Save the Waters Conference II

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park

The 2nd Annual Ships to Save the Waters Conference is a venue for networking water-based programs, sharing environmental educational methodologies and exposing the work of watershed, coastal and marine organizations to the public-at-large. Hosting organizations have invited ships and small boat programs as well as watershed associations, bay and riverkeepers and many others for a series of presentations leading into a charrette. A summary document will be published. The conference fee is $25 to cover materials and lunch on Saturday and Sunday.

Please see the Ships to Save the Waters Web Page at http://www.ernestina.org/StStW2001.html for information and registration. You can also email questions and comments to ststw@ernestina.org. A registration form follows on page 4.

The conference is funded thanks to a grant from the Island Foundation of Marion, MA. ⌘

Conference Schedule

Friday, June 1

5:00-9:00 pm	Check-in and Registration
6:00-8:00 pm	Buffet Dinner (provided)
7:30-7:45 pm	Welcome and Introductions
7:45-8:15 pm	Keynote Address
8:15-8:30 pm	Plan for Saturday and Sunday ~An Overview~
9:00-10:30 pm	Film at Tonnessen Park

Saturday, June 2

7:00-10:00am	Registration
8:00-8:30am	Welcome and Introductions
8:30-8:45am	Opening Remarks ~ Pete Seeger
8:45-9:45am	Panel *Creating Livable Communities*
10:00-11am	Panel *Exemplary Water-based Programs*
11:15am-12pm	Panel *Massachusetts Environmental Education Plan*
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch on the Waterfront (provided)
1:00-1:15pm	The Charrette Begins ~ An Introduction
1:15-2:15pm	Working Groups Organization
2:15-5:45pm	Working Groups Design
6:00-7:00pm	Dinner on the Waterfront (provided)
7:15-8:00pm	Working Groups Report Progress
8:00-10:00pm	Evening Songfest

Sunday, June 3

8:30-8:45am	Good Morning and Structure of the Day
8:45-9:30am	Panel *Merging Activism & Education: What's the fit?*
9:30-12noon	Working Groups Continue Work & Develop Presentation
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch on the Waterfront (provided)
1:00-3:00pm	Charrette Summary Session Presentations
3:00-3:30pm	Closing Remarks

Please Register by May 15th!

The mission of the conference is to *"inform and inspire the creation and sustainability of water-borne programs for protection, preservation, restoration and celebration of our waters."*

- **Speakers and Panel discussions** on the 2nd Floor F.A. Sowle Building
- **Exhibits** in the Ernestina Office/Museum 1st Floor F.A. Sowle Building
- **Music and Meals** on the Waterfront at Tonnessen Park with Schooner Ernestina alongside
- **What is a Charrette?** It is a design process with a deadline where teams gather in working groups to form new visions and strategies.
- **Come prepared to participate!** The conference starts off with presentations by panelists but moves into a charrette format where many more ideas and strategies will be expressed, developed and shared.
- **Is it only about ships?** It is about waters that connect us. Participants will be connecting the headwaters to the sea by design. The conference is for individuals and organizations who would like to learn, share and collaborate.
- **What does it cost?** We are asking for $25 this year to cover some food and conference materials. We are thankful to the Island Foundation of Marion, MA for a grant to underwrite many of the expenses. Please register and mail a check to reserve a place on a team.
- **What comes out of the conference?** The findings, maps, charts and drawings along with a photographic record will be compiled into a **summary document** that will be published to the web and in a limited hard copy form.

The 2nd annual StStW can lead to a **3rd annual conference** next year in 2002 taken up by any group of interested organizations. Any suggestions?

Maybe some **new collaborations** will be set in motion!

Ships to Save the Waters 2001

Registration Form

You may register for the conference on-line rather than use this form. If you have access, please go to http://www.ernestina.org/StStW2001.html and follow the link to register, otherwise please mail back this form. There is a $25 fee for the conference payable to the *Schooner Ernestina Commission* that includes conference materials and meals. Please register and pay by May 15th to secure your place. First come first served! See you in New Bedford in early June!

What days will you attend the conference? (please check) ❑ June 1 ❑ June 2 ❑ June 3
What features of the event are you most interested in?

What additional features would you like to see?

Please describe any alliance-building experiences you have had:

Please choose a region that you would like to focus on during the Charrette. We will be putting you on a team with others interested in the same geographic area, if possible:
❑ Long Island Sound ❑ Rhode Island Sound ❑ Narragansett Bay
❑ Buzzards Bay and Islands ❑ Cape Cod Bay ❑ Massachusetts Bay
❑ Doesn't Matter ❑ Other _____

Would you prefer to work on a team looking at a 'virtual' collaborative through a web-based interactive site for organizations, schools and teachers? ❑ No ❑ Yes

Please check areas in which you have expertise or special knowledge (this will help us put the teams together):
❑ Shipboard Programs ❑ Small Boat Programs ❑ Watershed Education ❑ Environmental Education
❑ Outdoor Education ❑ Adventure Training ❑ Public School Teaching ❑ Environmental Advocacy
❑ Environmental Protection ❑ Local Boards and Commissions ❑ Commercial Fishing ❑ Agriculture
❑ Boat Building ❑ Programs for Youth ❑ Counseling ❑ Strategic Planning ❑ Architecture and Design
❑ Communications Technology ❑ Web Site Design
Are there any other strengths you have you would like to name?

Are you a member of a participating organization? ❑ No ❑ Yes Which one(s)?

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

eMail Address: _____ Phone: _____

Would you like to be placed on our eMail list? ❑ No ❑ Yes
Should we mail a briefing book to you? ❑ No ❑ Yes (You can also get this online, when it is ready)
Additional Comments:

Thank you for taking time to send in this registration.
Please mail your check for $25 per person made out to the *Schooner Ernestina Commission*, P.O. Box 2010, New Bedford, MA 02741-2010. You can call us at 508-992-4900 if you need to talk to someone directly.
We look forward to seeing you! Just check in at the registration desk when you arrive. ⌘

Ships to Save the Waters Conference Panelists

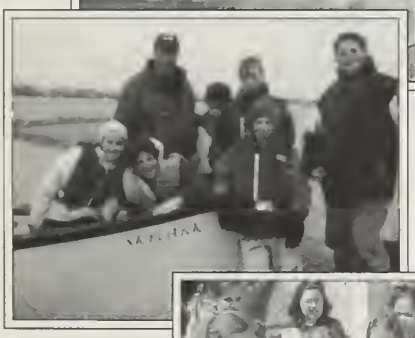
Opening Remarks
- Pete Seeger

Creating Livable Communities
- Andy Mele, Sloop Clearwater
- Len Gonsalves, Buzzards Bay Action Committee, Town of Dartmouth Selectman
- John Bullard, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth
- Salah Matteos
- Beth Nicholson, Save the Harbor Save the Bay

Exemplary Water-based Programs
- Ed McCabe, Hull Lifesaving Museum
- Charles Burnham, Chebacco Boat Lewis H. Story, Saugus River
- Lucy Iannotti, Whaling City Rowing Club
- Erin Escher, Westport River Watershed Alliance
- Alan Lee Hankin, Sea Connections Summer Content Institute
- Peter Bolster, Living Classrooms

Massachusetts Environmental Education Plan:
~Coordinating Programs, Education Reform and Agencies~
- Alan Lee Hankin, PhD, Emerson College
- Gregg Swanzey, Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL)
- Anne Beaulieu, Community Foundation of SE MA
- Tricia Sheppard, The Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
- Robbin Peach, MA Environmental Trust

Merging Activism & Education: What's the fit?
- Seth Garfield, Buzzards Baykeeper
- Mark Rassmussen, Coalition for Buzzards Bay
- Gay Gillespie, Westport River Watershed Alliance
- Andy Mele, Sloop Clearwater



Education for Sustainability

Six core themes characterize an approach to programs that promote a sustainable future ~
- lifelong learning
- systems thinking
- multicultural approaches
- interdisciplinary approaches
- partnerships
- empowerment.

Calendar

APRIL

28 MA Marine Educators Conference
Woods Hole, MA
28 Volunteer Orientation & Training
All Day at New Bedford State Pier

MAY

2 Springfield HS of Sci & Tech
9am-2pm Sail
Fall River Heritage State Park
2 **Member Sail
Fall River HSP
5-8pm**
2 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street, NB
3 Doren School
Watershed to the Bay
9-11am Dockside
Fall River HSP
5 **Member Sail
Fall River Heritage State Park
1-4pm**
6 **Member Transit
Fall River to New Bedford
8:30am-7:30pm**
~City of New Bedford-funded *Invest-in-Kids Program* along with members~
7 Ashley School
Watershed to the Bay
9-11:15am Dockside
New Bedford State Pier
8 Nichols Middle School
9am-4pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
8 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor, NB
9 Indian Head School
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
10 Indian Head School
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
11 Indian Head School
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
12 **Member Sail
1-4pm
New Bedford State Pier**
14 St. Mary's School
Working on the Water
9-10:45 Dockside
New Bedford State Pier

See Page 10 for New Bedford Sea Chantey Chorus Schedule!

15 Dartmouth HS
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
16 Fairhaven HS
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
17 **Member Transit
New Bedford to Boston Fan Pier
9am-8pm**
18 Hull Memorail Jr. Sr. HS
4-8pm Sail
Pemberton Pier Hull
19 Blessing of the Season Event
Dockside 6-9pm
Open to the Public
Boston Fan Pier
20 New England Aquarium
1-4pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier
20 **Member Sail
Boston Fan Pier
6-9pm**
21 Revere HS
9am-1pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier
22 Cambridge Rindge and Latin
9am-1pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier
23-25 Sound School (New Haven)
Multi-day Program
Transit Boston to New Bedford
26 Call Me Ishmael Sail
1-4pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
Tickets $25
Film at Tonnessen Park
8-10pm
27 City of NB Invest-in-Kids
9am-4pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
28 Bourne HS
9am-4pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
28 Symphony Music
5-9pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
29 Middleboro HS
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
30 Dighton Middle School
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
31 Dighton Middle School
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

JUNE

1-3 Ships to Save the Waters Conference (see page 3-5)
F.A. Sowle Building
New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park
2 Maritime Heritage Day
11am-4pm
NB Whaling Natl Historical Park
Hosted by NB Whaling Museum
2 Captains Courageous Play
10:30-11:30am
featuring Ernestina's After-School Students and the NB Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus ~ NB Whaling Museum Theatre
3 **Member Sail
New Bedford State Pier
6-9pm**
4 Adventures in Learning
10am-6pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier
6 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street, NB
5-8 Auburn Middle School
9am-1pm Sails Daily
New Bedford State Pier
8-9 **Member Transit
New Bedford to Greenport**
10-11 Greenport High School
5-3:30pm Overnight Sail
Greenport, LI
11-12 Greenport High School
5-3:30pm Overnight Sail
Greenport, LI
12 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor, NB
12-13 Greenport High School
5-3:30pm Overnight Sail
Greenport, LI
14-15 **Member Transit
Greenport, LI to Nantucket**
16-23 UMASS Boston
Coastal Exploration
Continuing Education Course
Multi-day Program
Transit Nantucket to Boston
See page 8....
25-27 City of NB Invest-in-Kids
Multi-day Program
New Bedford to Stellwagen Bank and back funded thanks to a grant from the City of New Bedford
28 Earth Harp Performance
New Bedford State Pier
29-July 2 Experiential Ed Program
"Voyage into Learning"
Multi-day Program
See page 9....

Members can sign up for any of the sails marked with ** on a space available basis for the year. There is generally no additional chage beyond the cost of membership except for meals @ $10 ea. See page 15 for details and a membership form.

JULY

4 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street, NB

5 Cape Verdean Recognition Day
Onset Pier

6 Community Boating Center, Inc.
Transit Onset to New Bedford

6-8 New Bedford Summerfest
TallShips, Great Music and much more.

9-12 PKU Teen Challenge
Multi-day Program
Transit New Bedford to New London

10 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor, NB

12 TBA
New London, CT

13-15 SailFest
New London, CT

15 **Member Transit
New London to New Haven, CT**

16-20 Schooner Sound Learning
(4) Overnight Sails
New Haven, CT

22-27 Schooner Sound Learning
Multi-day Sail
Transit New Haven to Boston

27 Pelagic Sailing Club
6-10pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier

28-29 Gloucester Adventure Sails
Call 978-281-8079 for more details.
Support Ernestina's sister schooner in Gloucester!

30-August 3 New England Aquarium
Schooner Adventure Multi-day Program
Transit Boston to New Bedford

AUGUST

July 30-Aug 3 New England Aquarium
"Schooner Adventure"
Multi-day Program
Transit Boston to New Bedford

1 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street,NB

4-5 Buttonwood Park Zoo
Overnight Program
New Bedford State Pier

6-9 Sea Connections VI Summer Content Institute for Teachers
Science and Coastal Ecology
Multi-day Program
New Bedford State Pier
~funded thanks to a grant from the MA Department of Education, sponsored by the Westport Community Schools. See page 14....

9-10 Fall River Celebrates
Huge festival spanning five days!
Fall River State Pier

11-12 Mystic Aquarium
Overnight Program
Transit Fall River to New Bedford

14 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor, NB

16-17 Buttonwood Park Zoo
Overnight Program
New Bedford State Pier

18 Fiesta de Ernestina
5-11pm
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street
NB Whaling National Historical Park
See page 14....

18-20 Cohasset HS
Multi-day Program
New Bedford State Pier

21 Merck Pharmaceuticals
7-9pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

21-24 Maritime Math Summer Content Institute for Teachers
Multi-day Program
New Bedford State Pier
Last day transit to Boston
~funded thanks to a grant from the MA Department of Education, sponsored by the Westport Community Schools. See page 14....

25-26 **Member Transit
Boston to Portland, ME**

26-31 Greens Farms Academy
Multi-day Program
Transit Portland, ME to Gloucester

SEPTEMBER

2 **Gloucester Schooner Race
A Special Sail for Members
Tickets: $50**

The **WATERFRONT COMMUNITY FORUM** meets from 4-5pm on the first Wednesday of the month at the Schooner Ernestina offices in the F.A. Sowle Building at 89 North Water Street, New Bedford. The forum is a gathering of individuals, businesses and organizations to hear presentations and discuss topics relevant to the Fairhaven-New Bedford Waterfront and Harbor.

Ernestina transformed into *Earth Harp*

Frank Lloyd Wright said that architecture was "frozen music". The structure is seen as notes or musical events. The spaces where people travel or walk are the silences between the notes. This idea inspired Bill Close, creator of the Earth Harp, to integrate architecture with the earth using strings. The Earth Harp is modeled after the Venus of Willendorf, the oldest known piece of three-dimensional sculpture.

There are 42 strings on the Earth Harp. Sound is produced by a special playing technique that creates a compression wave, essentially the same physics involved in "playing" a crystal glass. Recordings of the Earth Harp, done on location, can be heard on the new MASS Ensemble CD, *Pleiades*.

The Architectural Harp uses a special playing technique, in which rosin covered gloves are run along the strings, to create beautiful, cello-like tones. The sound is truly amazing, full of harmonics and resonance. Please see http://www.massensemble.com/earthharp.html for more information.

Look for more details on the performance **June 28, 2001** using the Schooner Ernestina alongside at Tonnessen Park on New Bedford State Pier. ⌘

The **SOUTHEASTERN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ALLIANCE (SEEAL)** meets from 9-11am on the second Tuesday of the month on the 6th floor in the Conference Room at Peoples Bank, 227 Union Street, New Bedford. SEEAL formed in 1997 under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM) to encourage stewardship in the southeastern Massachusetts region.

Working on the Water Programs are funded thanks to a grant from the MA Department of Education

Watershed to the Bay Programs funded thanks to grants from the Helen E. Ellis Charitible Trust, the Buzzards Bay Action Committee and the MA Department of Education

EXPLORING THE COASTAL ENVIRONMENT

May 29 through June 28, 2001

A summer program in oceanography and coastal zone management presented by the Department of Earth and Geographic Science, Urban Harbors Institute and Schooner Ernestina This inquiry-based, hands-on program seeks to develop an awareness of the interaction between human beings and the sea by introducing concepts related to maritime history, nautical science, oceanography, and coastal zone management. This interdisciplinary approach provides participants with a unique perspective on the complex, multidimensional marine environment. Successful participants will earn six undergraduate credits.

Program highlights include a three-day research trip to the UMass Field Station on Nantucket Island and a week aboard the schooner Ernestina exploring the New England coast. These field experiences give students an opportunity to apply concepts learned in the classroom. The program is directed by Professor John Looney of the Department of Earth and Geographic Science at UMASS Boston.

Courses and Credit: Participants may earn up to six undergraduate credits by meeting requirements for two UMass Boston courses, E&GSCI L226 (Introduction to Oceanography) and E&GSCI 227 (Marine Resources).

Program Fee: The $1,745 fee for this five-week program (for both credit and non-credit participants) covers instruction and course materials, accommodations at the field station on Nantucket, and passage, meals, and all activities on board the Ernestina. The fee does not cover books or insurance.

Who should apply: The program is open to college students, selected high school seniors, and others interested in the marine environment and in applications of science and scientific methodologies to everyday activities. No previous sailing experience is required, although seasoned sailors are welcome.

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Division of Corporate, Continuing and Distance Education
100 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125-3393

To obtain more information or to apply for admission to the program, please call the Division of Corporate, Continuing, and Distance Education at 617-287-7913, visit the Continuing Education office at UMass Boston (Wheatley Hall, second floor, room 203; M-Th 8:30am-6:00pm; F 9:00am-4:00pm), or visit the UMASS Boston website at http://www.conted.umb.edu/special/docs/coastal.htm for more information. Students are advised to apply early, as enrollment is limited. Enrollment deadline comes up soon! ⌘

Schooner Ernestina Wins National Park Service Challenge Cost Share Grant

Schooner Ernestina will be awarded a $20,000 grant to support Level 1 HABS/HAER Documentation of the 156' Schooner Ernestina in 2003 throug the NPS Challenge Cost Share Program.

- ⌘ An **historian** will develop a written description of the vessel, an historical overview of the design construction, technology and uses from launching in February 1894 through today (40-60 pages).
- ⌘ A **supervisory architect** along with **two technicians** will complete a set of measured drawings with interpretive sheets on alterations for various periods and sheets showing the various functions as fishing vessel, Arctic explorer, Cape Verdean packet and educational/sail training vessel.
- ⌘ A **photographer** will develop a complete set of 5x7 views in black and white along with color transparencies (approximately 30-50 views interior and exterior) in large format.
- ⌘ **Photocopies** of historic images will be included to show former configurations and use at sea.

The Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) and the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) are among the largest and most heavily used collections in the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress. The collections document achievements in architecture, engineering, and design in the United States and its territories through a comprehensive range of building types and engineering technologies including examples as diverse as windmills, one-room schoolhouses, the Golden Gate Bridge, and buildings designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. As of March 1998, America's built environment has been recorded through surveys containing more than 363,000 measured drawings, large-format photographs, and written histories for more than 35,000 historic structures and sites dating from the seventeenth to the twentieth century. ⌘

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Walter Weinberg, M.A., 25 years of outdoor, adventure programming, both 'in the field' and as a program administrator and program developer. Experience with Outward Bound, community mental health and juvenile justice.

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For more information: Please contact Andrea at apoutside@earthlink.net or call (508) 759-6233.

The Tall Ship Ernestina: The Arts and Culture of the New England Maritime Corridor

Lesley University - Adult Baccalaureate College

Course #: AINTD 5035.01

Friday, September 14, 2001 4-6pm

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Course instructors are Daniel Yalowitz and Iris Grant. For questions or futher information please contact Daniel Yalowitz at 617-349-8903 or yalowitz@mail.lesley.edu
3 credits available graduate or undergraduate.

The Story of Alexandre Fortes as the Captain on *Ernestina*

By Elsie and Elise Fortes

My grandfather's name was Alexandre Fortes, he was born in February 6, 1931 – November 3,1997, he died of a heart attack at the Brooklyn Hospital in Brooklyn. He had a wife and three children, his wife's name and date of birth is Idilia V. Fortes, and was born on December 27, 1937. His children's names and date of birth from oldest to youngest is Alexandre Fortes, Jr. and was born on March of 1959, Maria Fortes and was born on December of 1961, and last but not least Egerio Fortes, and was born on April of 1966.

My grandfather's salary when he worked as a captain on the *Ernestina* was 5000 escudos/month that's equal to $50/month, back then that was a lot of money. He started working on the *Ernestina* at the age of 30 and stopped at the age of 37, only because he had bought a boat called *Santa Margarida* from his uncle. In that boat my grandfather studied how to be a captain and also because of the help of his uncle that trained him, this made my grandfather the youngest captain of Cape Verde at that time. My grandfather was a captain at the age of 24 but not in the *Ernestina*, in other boats such as *Maria Sony*, *Ildut*, *Maria Fernande*, *San Tiago*, and *Santa Margarida*, etc. He started studying to be a captain at the age of 17. The places that he went as captain on the *Ernestina* that weren't too far away from Cape Verde were Dakar and Guinea Bissau. He went to all the countries in Cape Verde, he went to Sao Vicente, Praia, San Filipe, Sal, Santo Antao, San Nicolau, Boa Viste, Maio, Brava and Fogo.

My grandfather came to America two times, once in September of 1960 – January of 1961 and the next time was in August of 1961 – December of 1961. On the way back from America to Cape Verde on January of 1961 the *Ernestina* was caught in a cyclone, of really bad weather and raging seas and my grandfather as the captain of the boat had to lean over to try to fix the sail that fell down and a big wave just came out of no where and knocked him out of the boat. He was hanging on one arm to survive and started screaming for help until someone was his worker came and helped him back into the boat. With him in the *Ernestina* he had 14 people that worked for him he had a second captain, a pilot, 8 sailors, 2 motorists, 1 cook, and 1 cleaner. After they drove out of that cyclone when they were close to the seashore they had to drag the *Ernestina* to the shore so it wouldn't sink because it was so badly damaged and they had to fix it. It is supposed to take 15 days to drive the *Ernestina* from America to Cape Verde or from Cape Verde to America but this day of January took 31 days, that's a whole month at sea. This day was never forgotten by my grandfather because he almost lost his life on this January of 1961.

Today the *Ernestina* is about 150 [107] years old. It is a very old boat but is also very famous and very well respected. My grandfather left behind six grandchildren, one of which he doesn't know because he died before he was born. The names of his grandchildren in order from biggest to smallest along with their ages are Elsie Fortes, 14, Elise Fortes, 14, Joneice Fortes, 9, Michelle Fortes, 9, Michael Fortes, 7, Alexandre Fortes III, 1. We all miss my grandfather and I'm sure *Ernestina* does too. ⌘

This story was written as a class project for extra credit in Geography class.

New Bedford Sea Chantey Chorus Schedule

June 2 Captains Courageous Play
10:30-11:30 NB Whaling Museum
June 14 AHA! NB Whaling Museum
Two Sets at 6pm & 7pm
June 16 Heritage Plantation of Sandwich
2pm at the Concert Stage
July 13 Westport River Music
Head of Westport 5:30-8:00pm
Westport River Watershed Alliance
August 10 Rotch-Jones-Duff House
Special Friday Night Concert Series 6:30pm

Ernestina/Morrissey: What happened in Year....?

1901	Josh Stanley and Henry Atwood were the Gloucester Captains and had the Morrissey haddocking with good paying shares for the crew.
1926	The Morrissey was renovated for Arctic exploration and scientific experiments for the first time under sponsorship by Publisher George Palmer Putnam and under the auspices of the American Museum of Natural History and Professor William H. Hobbes of the University of Michigan. This trip sailed the western coast of Greenland.
1956	Now named the Ernestina, the ship sailed inter-island trade in the Cape Verde Islands and to the coast of Africa in the earlier part of the year and later trans-Atlantic to Providence, RI with Arnaldo Mendes and Valentin Lucas aboard as Captains. The trip across the Atlantic lasted 28 days with 8 passengers aboard.
1976	Efforts were undertaken to send Ernestina to America to participate in OpSail '76 in New York City. Later a telegram stated "After departed St. Vincent, Cape Verde with about eighty miles away due strong wind Ernestina masts broke down which reason returned back towed by Vilma stop hull impeccable regards ALPES" The effort to repatriate the ship grew with the formation of the National Friends of Ernestina/Morrissey in New York later that year.

Radio Stations Aboard Exploration Ships in the Far North

In his book TWO HUNDRED METERS AND DOWN, published in 1936, Clinton B. DeSoto, the Assistant Secretary of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), writes about the first amateur operators on Arctic exploration ships. Two of these vessels, the schooners *Ernestina/Effie M. Morrissey* and *Bowdoin* are still sailing today.

A constant hardship for Arctic explorers was loneliness, the realization of being cut off from the civilized world. Two-way communication was essential to stay in contact. All agreed that only amateur radio could do the job. The 1923 MacMillan Arctic expedition on the *Bowdoin* carried for the first time a complete 200-meter amateur station. Zenith Radio Corporation donated the station and the ARRL provided amateur operator Donald H. Mix, 1TS. Despite the 200-meter wavelength, the aurora borealis and the summer atmospherics, communication was carried on steadily with fair reliability, until her return on September 20, 1924. By this time the short waves had been discovered, and transoceanic communication was commonplace. WNP on 200 meters was obsolete. However, during the Arctic night 1923-1924, WNP – Wireless North Pole - established a New World's DX record.

In 1926, the schooner *Effie M. Morrissey*, commanded by the famous Arctic explorer Captain Robert 'Bob' Bartlett, carried the VOQ station of the American Museum Greenland Expedition, operated by Edward Manley, 8FJ. This expedition, financed by the American Museum of Natural History and George Palmer Putnam, was organized to gather material for the museum. Also on board was the University of Michigan's Greenland Expedition. At Holsteinborg, the Greenland expedition became a land party and Paul C. Oscanyan, Jr., 2AZA, operated DG1XL, the short-wave station. Edward Manley was in charge of VOQ on the EFFIE M. MORRISSEY assisted by Munroe Barnard for the 1927 Putnam Baffin Island Expedition, and the 1928 Stoll-McCracken Expedition. Manley made a total of five trips on the sturdy old schooner, going north with Cap'n 'Bob' in 1929 and 1930, as well.

1931 Paul Oscanyan operated VOQH, during the Bartlett-Norcross Expedition to Iceland and Greenland.

1933 Robert Moe of Brooklyn, W2UN, manned the station during the Bartlett Northwestern Greenland Expedition. He also manned the station, now WHDA (W10XDA), in 1934.

1935 Junius Ross, W2KJ, sailed north as operator of WHFZ and W10XFP. From Brigus, Newfound land, the schooner sailed to Turnavik, Labrador, and thence across Davis Straits to Disco Island, Greenland.

1936 Captain Bartlett sailed again from New York to the Arctic with Clifton Foss, W2OJ, manning the key and the microphone of W10XFP.

1940 Al Ulrich, who had just left Irving Johnson's schooner Yankee at the end of a 'round the world voyage with college age youngsters, joined the *Morrissey*. Every morning he typed a single page report for Captain Bartlett.

1941 The *Effie M. Morrissey* undertook another Greenland expedition in cooperation with Louisa A. Boyd in an assignment for the United States Government. Experiments were made on board to see how radio waves travel in the Northern Hemisphere.

1942 Corporal Majer manned the key during the voyage.

Both the *Bowdoin* and the *Effie M. Morrissey* have for more than 20 years pushed their bows across the Arctic Circle and relied on amateur radio for their contact with the world behind. Next to WNP, there was no expedition station more familiar to amateurs than good old VOQ.

Since 1994 three crewmembers on the historic schooner *Ernestina/Effie M. Morrissey* are ham radio operators. Waltraud 'Traudi' Berger Coli, N1HPX and OE7WCT, Steve Swift, WB1GVC, and Fred Sterner, N1BZG. Two visiting hams aboard for occasional sails are John Kray, KA2CNG, and Albert Flower, N1MXO.

If any ham has contacted the *Effie M. Morrissey* between 1926 and 1946, or the *Bowdoin* please contact Traudi Coli, N1HPX or OE7WCT at tcoli@yahoo.com or curator@ernestina.org or write to the Schooner Ernestina Commission, P.O. Box 2010, New Bedford MA 02741-2010. ⌘

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Spring at Dockside

Our cool spring hasn't dulled the flow of activities here at State Pier or the Ernestina Office. During March and April, Schooner *Ernestina*, the *New Bedford Whaling Museum* and the *Seamen's Bethel* were hosts to nearly 350 students for the sixth annual *Working on the Water* Dockside Programs thanks to funding by the Massachusetts Department of Education. The enthusiastic fourth grades from New Bedford's Gomes, Carter-Brooks, Hayden-McFadden, Lincoln, Dunbar, and Winslow Schools as well as St. James St. John School experienced what life was like for a 19th century Grand Banks fishing crew while at the *Ernestina*. They also learned about whale biology, foc's'l living, and the tools of whaling at the Whaling Museum. Three groups of students received a special presentation from Tom Goux at the *Seamen's Bethel*. Here, they read the cenotaphs on the walls of the Bethel and were treated to songs of sea.

Our third grade program, *Watershed to the Bay*, is also in full swing. Again, this is thanks to funding from the Massachusetts DOE along with the *Buzzards Bay Action Committee* and the *Helen E. Ellis Charitable Trust*. Thus far, students from Dartmouth's Gidley School, Fall River's Doran School, and New Bedford's Ashley School visited the ship in New Bedford and Fall River to learn about watersheds and wetlands, the water cycle and water conservation, and life cycles and habitats of certain animals. Bob Rocha from the *Coalition for Buzzards Bay* and Matt Tweedie from the *Westport River Watershed Alliance* also taught stations. We received wonderful letters from students at the Gidley School describing their experience onboard.

Our three after school programs are also in full swing. The theater troupe of *Captains Courageous* is hard at work learning their lines for the June 2nd performance at the Whaling Museum Theater. The production will feature Matthew Lecuyer as Dan Troope and Ezrah Perry as Harvey Cheyne. Both are students at St. James St. John School. The Schooner *Ernestina* Crew group is putting on the final touches to their scale models of *Ernestina*. They've produced an incredible fleet. The original boatyard crew in Essex would be proud! These students have also been on the road, traveling to Gloucester and Essex to visit our sister schooner, *Adventure* and the *Essex Shipbuilding Museum* and to Mystic, CT to experience *Mystic Seaport* and the *Mystic Aquarium*. Our 3rd group, 4-H, is also putting final touches on their models which will be presented to New Bedford's area State Legislators. We extend our thanks to Mayor Fred Kalisz for his continued support to the youths of New Bedford and Schooner *Ernestina*.

April vacation brought 15 budding sixth grade scientists from the Ashley School to *Ernestina* for the second annual *Watershed to Earth Day* Science Adventure. The lively group studied the properties of water, met with Bob Rocha and Jim Simmons from *Hands Across the River*, rowed to Palmer's Island with the *Whaling City Rowing Club*, visited the New Bedford Hurricane Barrier and the New Bedford Wastewater Treatment Plant, and did water quality testing along the Acushnet River. Their final event was marching in the Earth Day Parade. The group refurbished at 10-foot model of *Ernestina* and entered it into the Earth Day Parade float contest. They marched over the Fairhaven Bridge to Pope's Island were the judging took place. Their efforts paid off, earning a blue ribbon in the "Most Beautiful" category and another blue ribbon for "Grand Prize"! They also won a pizza party from Domino's Pizza. We would again like to thank Mayor Kalisz for his financial support and to Bette A. Tripp, principal at Ashley School along with sixth grade teachers Carolyn Duboise, Judy Martins, and Ina York. ⌘

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Summer Content Institutes for Teachers

Maritime Mathematics

During Maritime Mathematics Summer Content Institute offered **August 3, 13-17, 20-24, 2001**, participants will first spend five days developing a comprehensive knowledge of mathematics as it relates to the learning standards for their grade level in the classroom at Bridgewater State College. Then, during the second week of the institute, they will travel to New Bedford for a series of hands-on workshops, both on the water aboard Schooner Ernestina for day-sails and ashore, in applied mathematics focused on navigation, scientific sampling, spar construction, buoyancy and the technology of a 19th century schooner. After a period of independent study participants will come back for three Institute callbacks in the Fall to apply concepts, present course units and then report on student assessment. There is no overnight component to this Institute with the ship coming back in to the dock each evening.

PDP's and Graduate Credit from Bridgewater State College available. Sponsored by the Westport Community Schools. Call Ron Norsworthy at the SE PALMS Coalition at Bridgewater State College, 508-531-2263, email to: Rnorsworthy@bridgew.edu for information. You may also call the Schooner Ernestina office at 508-992-4900 or email at programs@ernestina.org for information. Please visit the PALMS website at http://www.bridgew.edu/depts/edallied/PALMS/workshops2.htm to register online. ⌘

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PDP's and Graduate Credit from UMASS Dartmouth available.
Alan Lee Hankin. Ph.D. of Pandion Consultants is program director. Call the Ernestina office for information and registration at 508-992-4900 or email at programs@ernestina.org. ⌘

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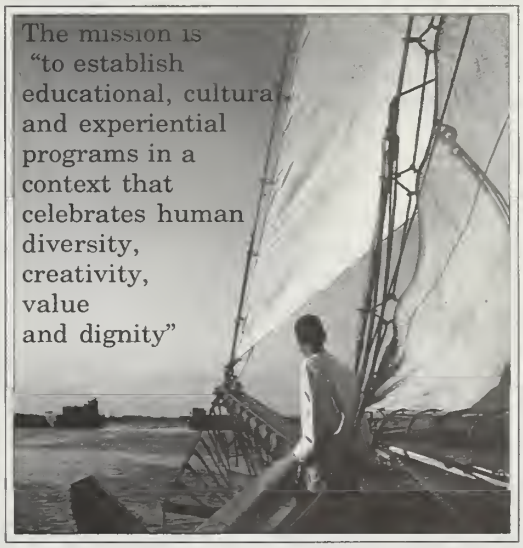

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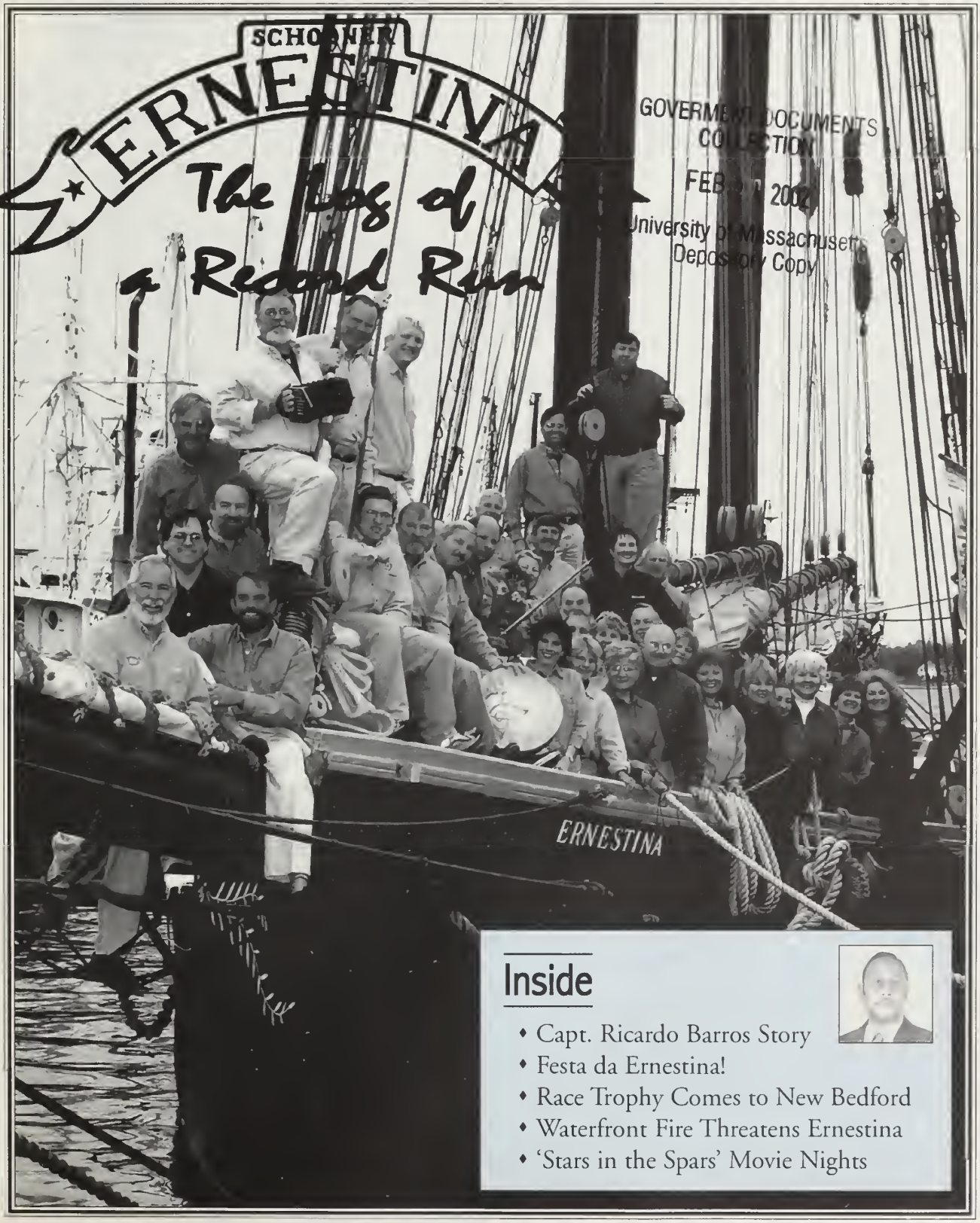

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The Schooner *ERNESTINA* Commission is a nine member agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts enabled by legislation found in Chapter 6 of the General Laws signed by Governor William Weld January 13, 1994. The Commission is placed in the Department of Environmental Management and includes designees of Commissioner Peter Webber of DEM, Commissioner David Driscoll of the Department of Education and Ms. Mary Jane McKenna, Director of Office of Travel and Tourism and six other residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The commissioners are appointed by Governor A. Paul Cellucci.

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CoverPhoto
New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus
Photo by Mark Davidian

Letter from the Director

Ships never leave the dock without a mission. In years past, Ernestina sailed to the Banks for fish, explored the Far North in the pursuit of knowledge and carried immigrants and mantenas across the Atlantic. Today, Ernestina is tapping educational resources from the sea as well as the immense richness of our maritime heritage, culture and people of our waterfront communities.

New programs this year are sounding the depth of community involvement:

⌘ The **New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus** enables people to join with others in celebration of our maritime musical traditions.

⌘ During **Stars in the Spars** classic films of the sea are viewed in an authentic setting against the backdrop of the ship and the sounds and smells of the salt water harbor.

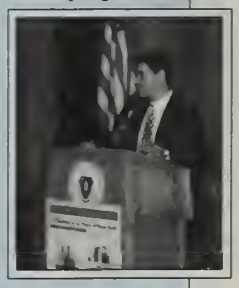
⌘ **Festa da Ernestina** brings some of the best musical traditions of Cape Verde, a maritime nation, to a waterfront plaza along with food and dance.

⌘ Ernestina's **logbooks and journals are being translated and transcribed** to make the voyages and stories of the ship come alive and to understand Ernestina's history in more detail.

⌘ The **Ships to Save the Waters Conference** last June brought people together from across the country to network and exchange ideas in the maritime setting of the New Bedford waterfront thanks to the inspiration of people like Pete and Toshi Seeger.

⌘ More staff time is being devoted to the development of **membership, volunteer and internship programs**.

The reasons to support Ernestina through donations and become a member are stronger than ever including unique opportunities for you to get your family out sailing on an historic ship, access to special events throughout the year and helping to support Ernestina's educational programs for schools.



Help keep Ernestina sailing!

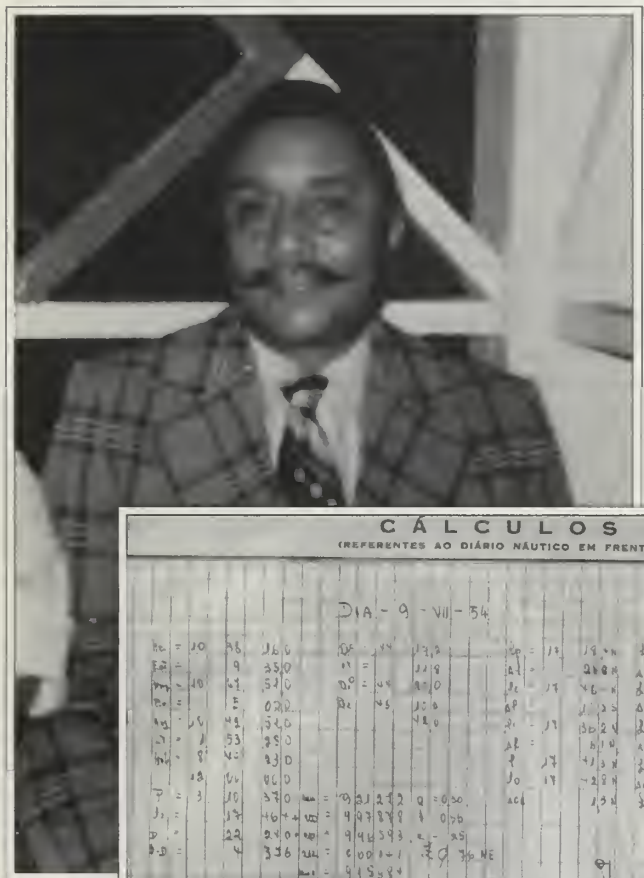
Gregg Swanzey, Director

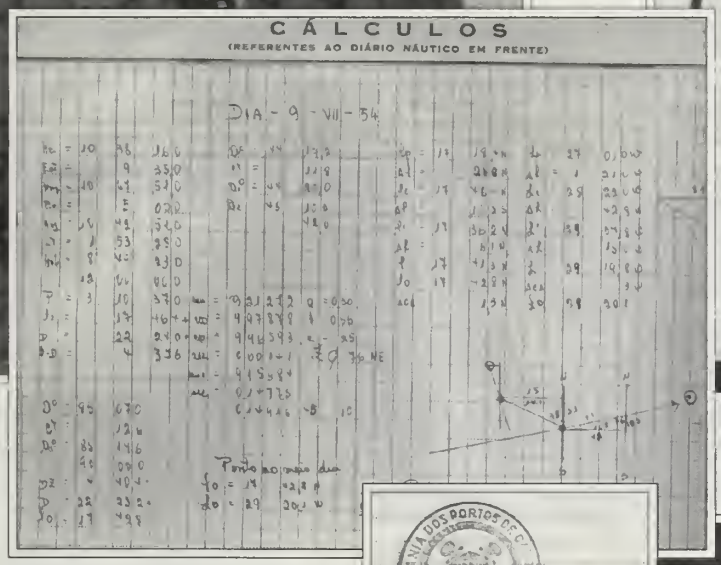
P.S. At press time we await word on a **new line item for Ernestina** in the State Budget. **Senator Mark Montigny** has included a line item for Schooner Ernestina this year in the Senate version with significant support for inclusion of this line by **Representatives Cabral, Koczera, Rogers, Rodrigues** and others on the House side. A line item is a crucial step for the ship!

Internship at Schooner Ernestina

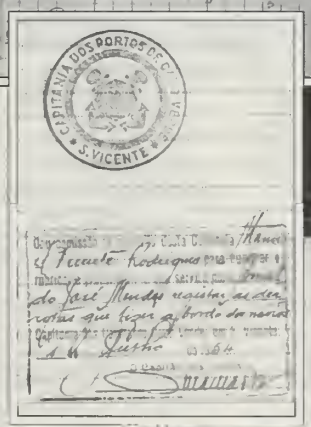
Thanks to a three-year grant from the Island Foundation, internships are enabling students at high school through graduate level to work on projects after-school and through the summer that help develop the untold stories hidden in Ernestina's archive and reach out to the community for more information.

This summer Gil Pires (shown below right) translated one of the ship logbooks from 1954 and 1955 and then scanned images for use in both electronic and hard copy media. He helped assemble background information on one of Ernestina's captains, Ricardo Lima Barros (shown in image above and featured in article page 7).





Shown at left is a page of the logbook showing calculations for 'local apparent noon' from sun sights and a 'running fix' to give a noon position. Below Gil points to the track of the ship on a North Atlantic Pilot Chart



In another project, Natalie and Nathan Mendes, great grandchildren of Henrique Mendes, and Calvin Arterberry transcribed a journal written by Edward Stafford, grandson of Admiral Peary, during his voyage on the Effie M. Morrissey to Cape York in the Davis Straits in 1932. Both the 1954/55 logbook and 1932 journal will soon be published to the website. ⌘

"Stars in the Spars" Harborside Movie Nights

The sails of Ernestina have served her mariners well over the years, whether fishermen, explorers, immigrants, students or educators. However, this summer they have been raised for a very unusual purpose: to provide a larger-than-life screen for a series of movie nights for family audiences. "Stars in the Spars" movie nights feature full-length classic films of the sea, projected on the sails of Ernestina at dockside. Those attending view from lawn chairs or cushions. Depending on the site, some stay in their cars ~ much like an old fashioned drive-in movie.

"Captains Courageous," the Oscar-winning, 1937 MGM production, starring Spencer Tracy, will be presented when Schooner Ernestina calls at Gloucester at Harbor Loop, Sunday, September 16, 7pm. Of all the Hollywood classics, this is the film that most vividly portrays the original fishing career of Schooner Ernestina, originally known as Effie M. Morrissey when she was launched into the Gloucester fishing fleet in 1894.

"Stars in the Spars" will come to India Point Park, Providence, RI, on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 8pm with a special selection of Cape Verde heritage films. The program is being planned in conjunction with Rhode Island Heritage Commission activities during that weekend. Providence, Ernestina's primary port of call during her decades of service as a Cape Verdean packet from 1949-1975, will be a wonderful setting for this mini film fest of Cape Verdean culture and heritage. Emerson College film maker and historian, Dr. Claire Andrade Watkins, will present a special preview clip of her documentary, SOME KIND OF FUNNY "PORTO RICAN"?©, still in production, and Tom Lopes will present "Mystery Lady" along with selected historical segments from Ernestina's history.

Ernestina's movie night series began in June in her homeport of New Bedford with the presentation of the classic 1956 version of "Moby~Dick" starring Gregory Peck, as part of New Bedford's year-long celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the publication of Herman Melville's classic, "Moby~Dick." A week later the 1998 version of Melville's venerable tale, starring Patrick Stewart as Captain Ahab, with a cameo appearance by Peck, was the feature for the second "Stars in the Spars" night.

Other seafaring classics followed the two versions of "Moby~Dick" in New Bedford. "Captains Courageous" (1937) starring Spencer Tracy, was the feature on Wednesday, July 18. "Mutiny on the Bounty" (1935), starring Charles Laughton and Clark Gable, was shown on Wednesday, July 25. Boston's Fan Pier was the site of the next Stars-in the-Spars" on July 28, when a crowd gathered to view "Captains Courageous."

Back in New Bedford. "Mutiny on the Bounty" (1962) with Marlin Brando and Trevor Howard, was the show on the evening of Friday, Aug. 3, but about halfway through a mighty squall hit. the screen (Ernestina's fore's) was struck and all hands dove for cover!

Younger buccaneers were thrilled and tickled on Wednesday, Aug. 15, with "Muppet Treasure Island" (1996). This movie night followed an Ernestina Member "Pirate Sail" out on Buzzards Bay. Participants in both sail and movie night contributed to the "piratical" theme through costume and characterization. The classic "Treasure Island" (1934) starring Wallace Beery and Jackie Cooper, was the final film in New Bedford on Wednesday, Aug. 22.

Much appreciated has been the encouragement and logistical support of John Simpson, New Bedford Harbor Development Commission and Arthur Motta, New Bedford's Director of Tourism and his staff. Individual donations to the Schooner Ernestina Commission have helped purchase the high-lumen video equipment. The theater-quality. professional sound system was designed and partially funded thanks to the Symphony Music Shop, Inc.

Program sponsorship is funded, in part, thanks to a grant from the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park. Additional sponsorship is needed to fully fund the production of this film series. ⌘

PROVIDENCE "STARS-IN-THE-SPARS"

One of the features of "Stars-in-the-Spars" in Providence, RI, Saturday, September 22, will be a preview clip from SOME KIND OF FUNNY "PORTO RICAN"?© by historian and film maker, Claire Andrade-Watkins. This film chronicles the history of the Fox Point section of Providence, RI, the second oldest Cape Verdean community in America.

Dr. Andrade-Watkins is an Associate Professor in Visual and Media Arts at Emerson College in Boston. She has published extensively in leading academic journals and film publications on French and Portuguese-speaking African cinema. She was a 1995-1996 Fulbright Scholar in Cape Verde, where she conducted

research on indigenous cinema in Cape Verde. She continued her research on colonial cinema in Lisbon through a grant from the American Philosophical Society.

In 1986 Dr. Andrade-Watkins produced THE SPIRIT OF CAPE VERDE, a half-hour documentary celebrating the bonds between New England, Cape Verde and President Aristides Periera's historical first visit to the United States in 1983. She has worked on ODYSSEY, a national PBS anthropology and archaeology documentary series, and feature films, most notably SANKOFA, an internationally acclaimed film on slavery by Haile Gerima. Born in the Fox Point section of Providence, Rhode Island, Claire is a second generation Cape Verdean born in America. Her various projects take her to Cape Verde on a regular basis, where she resides in Mindelo, Sao Vincente - and close to her beloved St. Antao.

For more information regarding the work of Claire Andrade-Watkins, visit www.spiamedia.com. ⌘

A Waterfront Fire: Close Call for Ernestina

In the early morning hours around 3:30 am on August 24, 2001 as our Cook, Doralee Zeneberg, was getting up to make breakfast ready for the crew, she spied the F/V Pisces aflame just behind Schooner Ernestina in the slip on the north face of State Pier. She alerted the Chief Mate Scot Cann, and the Ernestina crew rose to our shipboard fire alarm and put their training and emergency preparedness to the test. The ship's 3-phase generator was fired up and both aft hoses were run out to the stern.The 5 HP pumps were engaged, and Ernestina's stern and main boom were cooled down. A simultaneous call to 911 brought help quickly, as four engines from the NBFD responded, as well as police, USCG and city officials. The schooner was warped ahead, further in the slip at Tonnessen Park, in order to get clear of the heat and smoke.

Photo taken from aloft in Ernestina's Rig at Tonnessen Park

Once the fire had started, it was not possible to move Ernestina out of the slip; this would expose the vessel and crew to immediate dangers of heat and smoke, as the South wind fanned the flames, and carried them across the slip. Backing the vessel out at that time was not a safe option. An oil boom was rigged by the fire department (with the help of our crew) around the north side of the burning vessel. At 0515, the F/V Pisces broke her lines and sank alongside the pier, leaving only her pilothouse and rigging exposed. The fire appeared to be extinguished.

Photo taken from Ernestina's Stern

While Ernestina crew waited for clearance from the USCG and the NBFD Fire Inspector to depart for Boston, an effort was being made to focus on the cleanup and salvage of the vessel. Suddenly heat from the pilothouse of the now partially submerged Pisces burst into flame again in a reflash of the fire around 6:05 am. This time it rose 30' in the air and traveled over the water's surface on the film of oil. Schooner Ernestina was threatened with flames at her transom.

The Schooner Ernestina crew used onboard fire hoses once again to fend off the flames as the main engine was started to move the ship all the way into the slip against the bulkhead and push the stern as far as possible to the north. The prop wash pushed the flaming oil away in time. The fire company shot foam onto the flames to extinguish them once and for all. This was the closest call Schooner Ernestina had seen for years! Finally, in the clearing dawn, departure for Boston was possible.

Thanks to rapid response by the ship's crew, and the New Bedford Fire Department, and plenty of good fortune, a major disaster was avoided. Nothing left to do now but.....Keep Ernestina Sailing!! We made it through the Hurricane Barrier at 0700, and continued motoring towards the Cape Cod Canal while the crew gave the ship a thorough washdown after breakfast. The soot, water and oily residue from the fire had to be scrubbed with lots of 'Joy' and 'Simple Green.'

This has been a long day for sure....but an exciting moment in the life of the this vessel. ⌘

Calendar

SEPTEMBER

7-9 Norwalk Seaport Festival
Dockside at the Norwalk Maritime Museum

10-11 Transit Norwalk, CT to New Bedford
Dpt 9/10 9am Norwalk
Arr 9/11 12 noon New Bedford

11 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor, NB

12-15 St. Margarets McTernan School
Four-day Program
Transit New Bedford to Gloucester

16 Schooner Adventure 75th Birthday Celebration
Daysail on Schooner Ernestina
Call Adventure at 978-281-8079 for details
"Stars in the Spars" 7-9pm
"Captains Courageous"
Gloucester at Harbor Loop

19 Outdoor Explorations
9am-4pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier

19 Epsilon Associates
5:30-8pm Sail
Boston Harbor Associates Auction high bidders. Thanks!

20-21 **Member Transit Boston to Providence**
Dpt 9/20 8am Boston Fan Pier
Arr 9/21 4pm Providence India Point Park
$50 fee to members for food**

22-23 Providence Maritime Heritage Festival
Open Ship at India Point Park
Daysails Sat & Sun evenings
Call the RI Heritage Commission at 401-222-4137

24 **Member Transit Providence to New Bedford**
7am-7pm**

25 David Prouty HS
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

25-26 Charles River School
Overnight Sail
New Bedford State Pier

28-30 Lesley University
"The Arts and Culture of the New England Maritime Corridor"
Multi-day Program
New Bedford to Providence

OCTOBER

1-5 Easthampton, LI 9th Grade
Two back to back two day trips
Greenport, LI

3 Waterfront Community Forum
Monthly Meeting 1st Wed 4-5pm
Ernestina Offices
F.A. Sowle Building
89 North Water Street, NB

7-9 MA College of Art
Multi-day Sail
New Bedford State Pier

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10 Wesport HS
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

11 AHA! onboard *Fo'c's'le Stories*
5-6:30 dockside at Tonnessen Park

12 Westport HS
9am-1pm
New Bedford State Pier

13-14 Pembroke BS Troop 270
Overnight Camping at Ft. Taber Park, New Bedford with Daysails on Ernestina

13 Community Boating Center Fundraiser
5-7pm Sail
Billy Woods Wharf, New Bedford

15 Fairhaven HS
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

16 **Member Transit New Bedford to Providence**
7am-6pm**

16-21 National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference
Providence, RI
17 PLT Reunion Aboard Ernestina at India Point Park 8-10pm
19 Field Trip Sail Providence to Newport in partnership withthe International Yacht Restoration School (IYRS) 9am-2pm

18 **Member Sail Providence
5-8pm India Point Park**

23 South Boston HS
9am-1pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier

26-27 Emerson College
Overnight Sail
Boston Fan Pier

28 **Transit Sail Boston toNB
along with After-School Program
Boston Fan Pier to
New Bedford State Pier**

29 End of Sailing Season ~ Derigging Begins
Call or email for details on Volunteer Days.

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On October 16 the Schooner Ernestina After-School Crew Program begins for New Bedford students thanks to funding from Mayor Kalisz's Invest-in-Kids Program.

THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD Invests In Kids!

Members Sails Signup Details

There is no additonal charge for members for three or four hour sails as listed marked with a '**' on a space available basis. However, for all day sails and transits there is a charge for meals equivalent to $10 per meal per person. Please call the Ernestina office for details and to register. An easy way to sign up for member sails and transits is to go online to Ernestina's website and use the member sail reservation e-form.

SCHOONER ERNESTINA 1894 EFFIE M. MORRISSEY

The **SOUTHEASTERN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ALLIANCE (SEEAL)** meets from 9-11am on the second Tuesday of the month on the 6th floor in the Conference Room at Peoples Bank, 227 Union Street, New Bedford. SEEAL formed in 1997 under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM) to encourage stewardship in the southeastern Massachusetts region.

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Buttonwood Park Zoo
"Berkshires to the Sea" Crew
August 16-17, 2001

The **WATERFRONT COMMUNITY FORUM** meets from 4-5pm on the first Wednesday of the month at the Schooner Ernestina offices in the F.A. Sowle Building at 89 North Water Street, New Bedford. The forum is a gathering of individuals, businesses and organizations to hear presentations and discuss topics relevant to the Fairhaven-New Bedford Waterfront and Harbor.

Capt. Ricardo Lima Barros

A Brief Biography

Captain Ricardo Barros was born in Praia, Santiago, Cape Verde Islands on October 23, 1914. He began is seafaring career aboard the training vessel *Nosassa Senhora Areias* which was commanded by a Portuguese captain. He used his training in the African country of Senegal where he ran tugboats in Dakar in 1952.

In 1954, he made his first passage as commander of the Schooner Ernestina. The ship departed from Porto Grande in the City of Midelo on Sao Vicente Island in Cape Verde on July 6, 1954 and arrived in Providence, RI at the Colonial Line Dock on August 13, 1954. This was a 38-day voyage with 16 crew and three passengers aboard. Upon arriving to the US, he married his wife, Dominga "Minnie" Barros.

Captain Barros returned to Cape Verde, in command of Schooner Ernestina on a second voyage leaving Providence, RI November 9, 1954 and arriving in Mindelo, Cape Verde December 14, 1954. This voyage was 34 days in length with 16 crew and four passengers aboard.

In 1955, he emigrated from Cape Verde to the United States by plane. Once here, he and Minnie settled in Taunton where he worked at New England Brass. Together, they had five children.

In 1959, his brother, Jeronimo, joined Ricardo. Together, they received seamen papers from the Coast Guard and began working for Exxon. Ricardo's career with Exxon lasted from 1962 to 1973.

Ricardo's final trip home to Cape Verde occurred in 1977. He returned to the islands to visit his mother. Unfortunately, he suffered a heart attack on the trip and died on March 6, 1977. ⌘

The New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus Page

New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus, a Schooner Ernestina volunteer activity, has completed a successful first season to rave reviews. Rehearsing once each week at Ernestina headquarters in New Bedford, the group of 43 singers learned a program of salty songs that delighted audiences throughout the spring and summer.

The chorus was created in January 2001, as a setting for learning and sharing traditional and contemporary songs of the sea, sung in harmonized arrangements in the tenor, baritone and bass vocal ranges. All were welcomed with no auditions. Under the direction of Tom Goux, Ernestina's Public Program Director, the singers served as musical and cultural ambassadors of both the legendary Schooner Ernestina and historic New Bedford.

The season began for the chorus in June with performances at New Bedford's Maritime Heritage Festival, where they shared the stage with nautical music groups, *Shipping News* and *Ye Mariners All*. June also saw the chorus in an AHA! Night show, with guest chanteyman, Jim Bean, and at Heritage Plantation of Sandwich, where the group was joined in concert by the Falmouth mostly-Men's Chorus.

In July they sang with Dave Peloquin and his group, *Compass Rose*, for the Westport River Watershed Alliance's "River Music" celebration. The New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park included the chorus in their "Thursday Night in the Park" series and the Rotch-Jones-Duff House was the site of the NBHSCC's final show on August 10, with the *Rum Soaked Crooks*.

When the U.S. Coast Guard Bark Eagle visited State Pier, Aug. 3, the chorus gave a mini-concert for the onboard reception, delighting captain, crew and their guests with songs from the age of square riggers and, of course, a rousing rendition of the "Coast Guard Marching Song." The chorus enjoyed a good deal of attention in the local press and was also spotlighted by New Bedford's Public Access Cable TV in a special live-feed program from the Waterfront Visitors Center.

The chorus has adjourned for the fall and will begin anew in January 2002. New members will be welcomed at that time. No auditions necessary, only a sincere commitment to the weekly rehearsals and a performance schedule that, by all indications, may be even more lively and enjoyable than this premier season has been! ⌘

Panorama sent by Bob Pacheco from the Merchant Mariners Social Club Sail in August
Traudy Coli is at the Helm

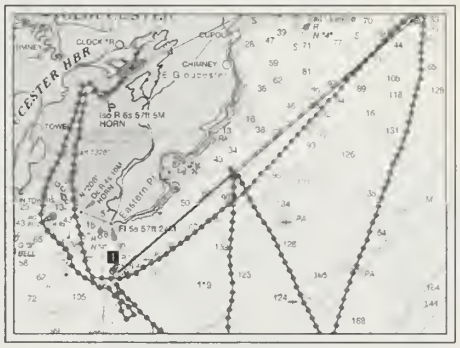
Ernestina Collaborates with New Bedford Zoo

A 24-hour voyage on Schooner Ernestina was the culminating activity of "Berkshires to the Sea" Summer Workshop, a 5 day/4 night program offered by New Bedford's Buttonwood Park Zoo. Organized by Gail Janeczek, Education Curator at the Buttonwood Park Zoo, the program was designed to "explore the aquatic habitats of Massachusetts … visiting areas such as Quabbin Reservoir, Northfield Mountain and the Harvard Forest." The explorations included a kettle hole pond, a salt marsh and a fish hatchery. The wrap-up was a 24 hour program aboard the schooner.

"Berkshires to the Sea" actually took place twice: Aug. 1-5, for boys, and Aug. 13-17, for girls. Ernestina's Onboard Education Program Coordinators, Crista Mellican and Inette Rex, led the shipboard programs. The main theme of the week was water quality and stewardship of this most precious of natural resources. Students kept personal logs of field observations of the natural world from the Berkshire Mountains, through the Commonwealth's river valleys, smaller watersheds and out onto Buzzards Bay.

Polly Zajac, Ernestina'a shoreside Education Coordinator, facilitated the participation of several students from Schooner Ernestina's After School Programs. The activity was offered free of charge to the youngsters through a grant from the Buttonwood Park Zoological Society. ⌘

Schooner Ernestina Wins Gloucester Schooner Race



Schooner Ernestina sailed away with the trophy this year with Capt. Willi Bank in command and Reed's Nautical Almanac Editor Carl Herzog sailing as tactician. In light air, not typically an advantage for a ship that sails best in 20 or 25 knots, the strategy is what can capture the day. What will the wind do in the afternoon? How will the tide run? How can we get a little more out the sails? With more than 8,200 square feet of sail drawing, Capt. Bank threw every bit of canvas on! Then the decision to go on the inshore tack with other vessels favoring the offshore gave Ernestina what she needed in the building afternoon sea breezes.

"No, it wasn't the tactics, it was Ernestina's great karma!" hypothesized Capt. Amanda Madeira. One may be apt to believe this explanation considering the large round of support for the ship from the audience as Senator Ted Kennedy presented the trophy to Capt. Willi Bank and crew during the evening ceremonies.

Ernestina's time for the 18 mile race was 5 hours 50 minutes, with Schooner Lettie G. Howard coming in second at 12 minutes later and Schooner Liberty Clipper third.

Congratulations to the crew and thanks to Gloucester for all the great hospitality shown these schooners during this three day Labor Day weekend every year! ⌘

Festa da Ernestina

It was a perfect night for a party and at "Festa da Ernestina" a great time was had by all! On Saturday, August 18, starting at 5pm, the corner of Elm and N. Water Streets in New Bedford became "Plaza da Ernestina" in celebration of one of the great symbols Cape Verdean and Cape Verdean American cultural heritage: Schooner Ernestina.

Sponsors were the Cape Verdean News, Integrity Mechanical Contractors, Inc., the Cape Verdean-American Veterans Association, Merchant Mariners Social Club, the Bisca Tournament Club, the Exxon Annuity Club, the Essence Grille, and The Potting Bench.

The neighboring Essence Grille served food and drink, both indoors and out, offering their usual menu, along with special Cape Verdean cuisine items as part of the celebration. Thanks for the authentic menu items is due to Mrs. Joyce Cruz, who volunteered not only her recipes, but came in to help Essence Grille's executive chef, Loretta Imbriglio, prepare for the festa! Other volunteers helping Ernestina staff to produce and host the event were Toni DePina, Irene and Bill Morin and Paul and Louise Anthony.

Festive décor included a canopy of lights, colorful table decorations and miniature Schooner Ernestina replicas. The air was filled with the music of the popular Ivo Pires Band, widely known for their lively, authentic repertoire of traditional and contemporary Cape Verdean dance music. The aroma of Cape Verdean dishes mixed with the echoes of the *mornas* and the *coladeras*, as friends, old and new, took to the dance floor.

Featured speakers were Tom Lopes, editor of the Cape Verdean News and Laura Pires, one of the original organizers of the movement to bring Ernestina from Cape Verde back to the U.S. in the 1970's. Laura spoke of the dedicated early efforts of those who began the work of preservation and oganizational growth and commended the ongoing efforts of all friends of Ernestina. Tom, likewise, was active during that period as a state representative and worked on the political front to develop the Commonwealth legislation creating the Schooner Ernestina Commission.

Current Schooner Ernestina Commissioners Dr. Bruce Rose and Judge Bettina Borders were in attendance and were

Ivo Pires Band is well-known in the Cape Verdean community and beyond

Laura Pires is recognized for her efforts by Tom Lopes

introduced to the crowd by Executive Director Gregg Swanzey.

Later in the evening, historic video clips, edited and prepared especially for the occasion by Mr. Lopes, were shown on a two-story canvas screen. His production, "Mystery Lady," included footage from Cape Verde, showing Ernestina's departure for the U.S. in 1982. A second segment pictured Schooner

Ernestina at the 1986 Statue of Liberty celebration in New York Harbor. Also shown was Ernestina's info-video, produced and edited by award-winning media artist and editor, Randal Goux. We'd like to thank Al Monteiro for making his photographs, shown here, available for use in this newsletter. ⌘

Sea Chantey Chorus

David Alves
Tom Alves
Louise Anthony
Paul Anthony
Tor Bendiksen
Bob Bowen
John Brancci
David Brownell
Sally Brownell
Laurie Bullard
Paula Cabral
Roger Chartier
Judy Cormier
Ray Cullum
Brian Dawicki
Jack Dean
Jack Dolan
Polly Gardner
Peter Gast
Ian Geddes
Gary Golas
Tom Goux
Michael Greene
Caren Harple
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Ships to Save the Waters 2001

Last year the SSW Conference was held in the CRRNJ Railroad Terminal adjacent to Ellis Island at Liberty State Park, Jersey City, where, historically, immigrants landed after coming across the sea on ships and from where they dispersed inland across America. This year this gathering was held in New Bedford, a famous historic international whaling port from where ships set sail on long voyages to the farthest oceans. What more fitting venues for spreading ideas that encourage protection, restoration and celebration of the waters that connect us?

"I believe if we do our job right here today, ten years from now there are going to be people, not just throughout the USA and Canada and Europe, but in Mexico and Argentina and Uruguay and Chile and, who knows, in parts of Europe and maybe on the Ganges or whereever. Where people see the beauty of a boat and see the magic. Nobody can explain it in words what the magic is, in water and wind, and they will be saving the waters where they are. And they will be carrying a message that may be a combination of historical message and environmental message. Maybe more of one than the other. But it's going to be a message.

If we all do our job right, do you realize we are part of a world-wide phenomenon of small organizations which are going to save the world if it is going to be saved?

Big organizations attract power-hungry people and pretty soon they are doing things that most people realize should not be done. But small organizations we can bounce against each other. We'll argue, but we'll agree on one or two important things. And when words fail we'll use many things not just boats: the arts, pictures, melodies, rhythm, dancing, acting, puppets, and food: the greatest part of all." ⌘

-Pete Seeger-

SSW 2001 Participants

During the weekend approximately 75 people participated coming from as far as the Gulf of Maine to the north and east and the Chesapeake Bay and Virginia to the south and west. A questionnaire completed as part of the registration asked for information regarding areas of experience or knowledge of the participants. Responses are summarized below for those that rated their knowledge in a particular area high:

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Persons were present from **Save the Harbor Save the Bay** in the Boston Harbor Islands, **Coalition for Buzzards Bay** from Southeastern Massachuestts, **Save the Bay** focused on the Naragansett, **Schooner Sound Learning** from Long Island Sound, **Clearwater** from the Hudson and beyond and **Living Classrooms** from the Chesapeake... In each of these waters, education and advocacy have a role in encouraging stewardship for our waters. ⌘

"I am here to learn and expand my knowledge base. As director for the Massachusetts Environmental Trust, I am looking to be a more informed funder and resident."
-Robbin Peach, MET-

"In our work day-to-day rarely do we have an opportunity to get together and sit back and talk to other people working in other bays and estuaries."
-Mark Rasmussen, Coalition for Buzzards Bay-

"There are currently 18 different rowing boat programs from Lake Champlain to Manhatten to North Haven, ME to New Bedford that put kids in rowing boats and take them places they never imagined they'd go."
-Ed McCabe, Hull Lifesaving Museum-

History of SSW

The first Ships to Save the Waters Conference was held in early July 2000 the weekend before the huge Millennial OpSail event in New York City. Sloop Clearwater, Schooner A.J. Meerwald and the Schooner Ernestina collaborated to host the event along with a great effort by Carl Schwartz and others of the New York City Friends of Clearwater and Ed Dlugosz of the Monmouth County Friends of Clearwater to develop and coordinate the event at Liberty State Park in Jersey City, NJ. Liberty State Park Development Corporation was the sponsor and space was used at the CRRNJ Terminal Building including the Concourse area and the Blue Comet Room. This year in 2001, the conference was held in New Bedford, MA in the F.A. Sowle Building near thewaterfront. The Schooner Ernestina and Sloop Clearwater collaborated and the Island Foundation sponsored the conference with generous contribution of space and lunch from the Essence Grille. ⌘

A Full Summary of the Conference and transcription of some of the remarks is available from the Schooner Ernestina Web Site at http://www.ernestina.org/StStW2001.html. The Third Annual Conference next year will be help during the National Marine Educators Association Conference in New London, CT July 20-27, 2002. Mark you calendars and stay tuned for more information.

SEA Connections VI and Maritime Mathematics II Summer Content Institutes

During August, SEA Connections teachers spent five days exploring the watersheds of Southeastern Massachusetts by land guided by Alan Lee Hankin, Ph.D., Emerson College professor and founding director of the Lloyd Center, along with Nancy O'Connor, Ph.D. from UMASS Dartmouth and Tricia Sheppard, Education Director from the Lloyd Center. Field experiences focused on various sites in the Paskamansett and Slocum River watershed and classroom sessions were held at UMASS Dartmouth.

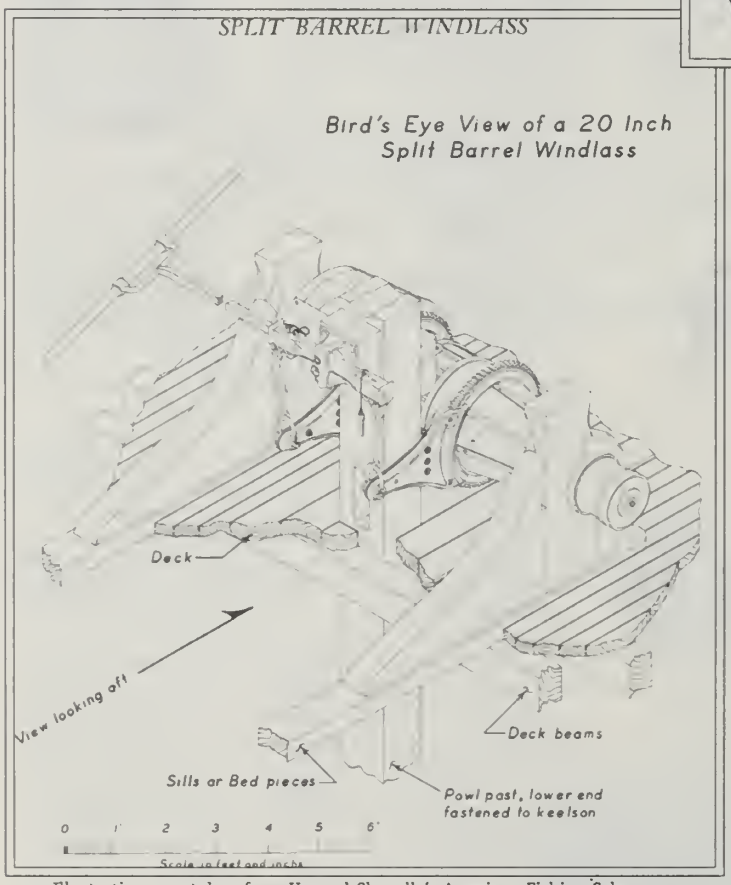
During the second week studies convened aboard the Schooner Ernestina with a four day multi-day trip exploring Megansett Harbor, Aucoot Cove, Mattapoisett Harbor, Sippican Harbor, Nasketucket Bay and North Cove off West Island, the mouth of Slocums River, Gooseberry Neck, and Sakonnet Bay. Plankton tows, otter trawls and water quality monitoring stations were frequent with teachers taking a close look at the coastal environment.

SEA Connections is designed with the SEEAL (Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance) Watershed Expedition Initiative in mind as part of an array of activities intended to connect science classes of the region with local watersheds, estuaries and coastal bays.

Maritime Mathematics started with a week at Bridgewater State College with Tim Mitchell, Frank Guiliano and Paul Anthony taking teachers through a review of math concepts along with some application in preparation for the second week in New Bedford. The five days with the Schooner Ernestina took a look at various themes including "Hull Design for the North Atlantic", "Simple and Complex Machines onboard Ernestina", Physical Forces in the Ships Rigging", "Spar Construction from Timber to Mast". In addition, teachers applied geometric concepts, trigonmetry and vector analysis to navigation and looked at various phyical parameters of the bay waters and examined plankton samples after calculating the volume of water sampled.

Special thanks to Leon Poindexter for his presentation on spar construction.

Illustrations show schematics of the windlass and hand deck pumps on Ernestina. Can you find the simple machines? ⌘



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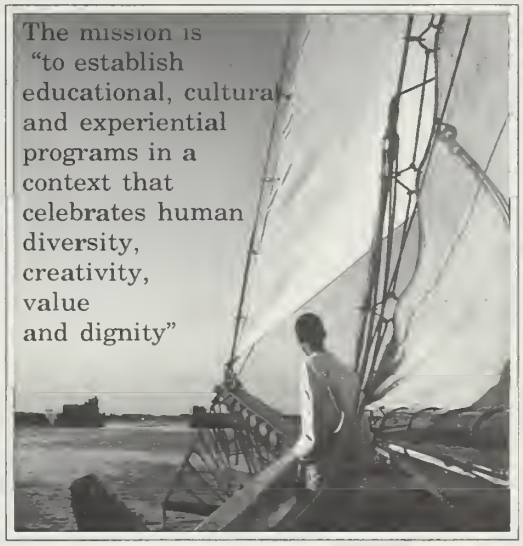

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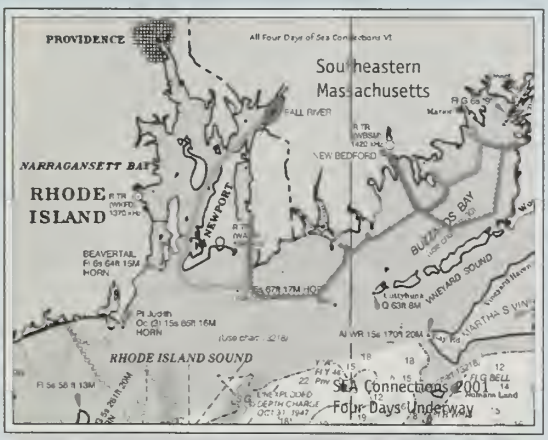

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- 21,691 served
- 62,906 contact-hours by staff
- 269 programs
- 6,000 volunteer hours
- 1.2 Million hits to website

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Schooner Ernestina Models in different phases of construction and a chart image showing the track of the four-day underway portion of SEA Connections Summer Content Insitute in August 2001.

Letter from the Director

The State Budget process for next year is underway once again. Although we were close to installing a separate line item for Schooner Ernestina during this past year, events of September 2001 and the slowing economy knocked the wind out of that effort. We find ourselves hard pressed to predict how deep an additional cut we'll be asked to bear in July as Massachusetts starts its next fiscal year.

The ship relies on core state funding to stay afloat. It makes sense that a century-old National Historic Landmark and gift between nations receive a predictable percentage of its annual revenue stream from the Commonwealth. Are there any more exemplary representatives of Massachusetts' maritime heritage?

Schooner Ernestina is owned by the state, named the official vessel and serves thousands of Massachusetts students with learning experiences they'll never forget. If it were difficult to argue for public support for Ernestina, how could any of the dwindling number of other historic Massachusetts ships have any hope of survival?

To be sure, grants, donations and memberships provide crucial program support, access to programs by urban communities and public schools and enable special projects. Citizens have demonstrated their support by becoming members, responding to the annual appeal as well as by devoting their time. Grantsmakers have been extremely generous in funding internship, after-school, dockside and underway programs as well as institutes for teachers. It is a public-private partnership that has kept Ernestina sailing.

The numbers bear out the benefits of support for Ernestina. This past year 21,691 people were served directly (with many more informal interactions during TallShip events) receiving 62,906 contact-hours from the staff. Volunteers put in more than 6,000 hours of their time. The ship traveled thousands of miles between ports from New York to Maine with the Massachusetts flag flying and New Bedford across the transom. The website at http://www.ernestina.org pulled in 1.2 million hits and more than 171,200 user sessions.

Now is a crucial time to advocate for a continuing allocation for Ernestina. As you read this newsletter please consider writing a letter or sending an email with regard for Schooner Ernestina to Governor Jane Swift, Secretary Bob Durand, Commissioner Peter Webber and your legislative delegation and describe your own personal connection to the ship. Your opinion counts.

Best wishes in the New Year.

Gregg Swanzey, Director

SEEAL to Receive $200,000 in Federal Funds

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Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance

Thanks to Senator Edward Kennedy along with support from Senator John Kerry, a line in the amount of $200,000 was successfully included for the Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL) in the Labor/HHS/ Education Appropriation in the Federal Budget. This is great news for our efforts to implement the Massachusetts Environmental Education Plan (MEEP) signed by Secretary Bob Durand (EOEA) and Commissioner David Driscoll (DOE) in April 2001.

SEEAL HAS FOUR PRIMARY PROJECT GOALS IN THE YEARS 2001 THROUGH 2003:

- Goal 1: Plan, develop and implement **Watershed Expeditions** for high school students in five paired watersheds of the region.
- Goal 2: Plan, develop and implement **Urban Programs** that generate livable communities in New Bedford and Fall River.
- Goal 3: Implement a ten-day **Summer Content Institute for teachers** and school administrators that will introduce them to the estuaries and coastal waters of Southeastern MA and encourage the implementation of the Environment as an Integrating Context for Learning (EIC) approaches in the schools.
- Goal 4: Serve as a **Regional Environmental Education Alliance (REEA)** to support the implementation of the Massachusetts Environmental Education Plan (MEEP)

Schooner Ernestina Director, Gregg Swanzey, serves as chair of SEEAL and worked with the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts, City of New Bedford, New Bedford Oceanarium along with support from Secretary Bob Durand (EOEA), Commissioner David Driscoll (DOE) and Representative Robert Koczera (Chair of the MA House Committee on Natural Resources & Agriculture) to advocate for the Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance Proposal.
The Schooner Ernestina Commission is a founding member organization of SEEAl and will be able to bring more powerful learning experiences to school children and provide more professional development opportunities for Massachusetts teachers as a result of these funds. ⌘

Ernestina Director represents MA at Education and Environment Roundtable

Gregg Swanzey, Executive Director for the Schooner Ernestina Commission, represented the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the State Education and Environment Roundtable (SEER) during a semi-annual meeting held in Austin, TX December 1-4, 2001. "This is a great opportunity to showcase the exciting new developments for education reform and environmental education in Massachusetts and bring SEEAL under a national spotlight," Swanzey said. "We hope this will bring new approaches to our region as we look for schools that would like to implement the 'Environment as an Integrating Context (EIC)' strategies."

SEER is a cooperative program established in 1995 to help state education agencies in their efforts to strengthen the role of environment-based educational approaches in K-12 curricula and systemic reform efforts. SEER's staff coordinate professional development activities and research programs, disseminate educational resource materials and provide technical assistance to the states. SEER is funded by a grant from The Pew Charitable Trusts, a national philanthropy with major interests in both environmental and school reform issues. ⌘

The EIC Model focuses on developing programs unique to each school and community. The model combines best practices into a comprehensive educational framework that simultaneously addresses content standards from multiple disciplines. EIC uses the school's natural and socio-cultural settings to engage students in schoolwork that they perceive as relevant to their daily lives, thus increasing their motivation for learning and academic achievement.

Calendar

February

2 Polar Bear Tales
Join us in the Jacobs Gallery at the New Bedford Whaling Museum for games, stories and music. Fun for kids of all ages..... 12noon-2pm. Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford Whaling National Hisorical Park.

10 Ernestina's Birthday Auction
Compass Rose Auction House
Howland Place, off Cove Road, New Bedford. Auction items needed! 3-7pm

12 SEEAL Meeting
Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues 9-11am
227 Union Street, 6th Floor, NB
Call 508-992-4900 for more info.

16 New England Aquarium & IMAX
Invest-in-Kids After School Program travels to Boston as one of the many activities. 10:00am-5:00pm

March

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17 Mystic Seaport Planetarium & Aquarium
Invest-in-Kids After School Program travels to Mystic as one of the many activities. 9:00am-6:00pm

April

9 SEEAL
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13 USS Constitution
Invest-in-Kids After School Program travels to Boston as one of the many activities. 10:00am-5:00pm

May

1 Sailing Season Begins
Look for the next newsletter for the many programs that will appear dockside in April and underway beginning in May. The season promises to be full with many Member Sail opportunities throughout.
See **www.ernestina.org** for the latest updates. You can register on-line for a regular 'NewsFlash' when postings are made to the site.

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THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD Invests In Kids!

Schooner Ernestina with her holiday light display

"How did you get all those lights up there?" Is the question I've been asked frequently. The reply is quite simple - patience, shower curtain rings, and the help of students and their teacher from New Bedford High. On the first Saturday in December, which actually felt more like spring than the onset of winter, Nancy Greenwood, Jeff Commeau, Alberto Medina, Andy Fowler, and Sarah Lariviere came to the Ernestina at the New Bedford State Pier to offer their assistance in dressing her up for the holidays.

It was not an easy task. Sarah, Alberto, Jeff. and Nancy took turns balancing over the water as they carefully wrapped lights around the bowsprit. Then Andy, Alberto, and Sarah helped haul more lights up the jib stay and fore stay. The shower curtain rings doubling as hanks made it pretty easy.

The most difficult part of the day involved working aloft. Andy assisted with attaching the extension cord to the Star on top of the mast, and then he and Alberto worked diligently to secure the lights to the shrouds with pieces of string. Sarah climbed aloft and assisted with attaching the lights at the top of the mast just below the Star. Although everyone was working, we all took the time to enjoy the view of New Bedford Harbor and Buzzards Bay from 75 feet above the water.

After-school Program decorations for the holidays.....

Happy New Year and we hope you enjoy the waterfront lights!
~Crista Mellican, Program Coordinator~

WISH LIST

Donations to the Schooner Ernestina and her programs are always welcome! Many different supplies are needed to achieve our educational goals and our mission to "preserve, maintain and restore the historic schooner". Currently we are looking for:

- ⌘ A ten-inch circular saw
- ⌘ 28 foot extension ladder
- ⌘ A globe
- ⌘ 55 micron mesh plankton net
- ⌘ Plastic tanks of different sizes, to be used as "touch tanks"

Sometimes there are larger items that we need in order to operate our ship and programs. This year we have two:

- ⌘ 12ft by 30 ft trailer to be used as a ship's support office for the crew on the state pier.
- ⌘ Rigid hull inflatable to serve as Ernestina's Rescue Boat.

We can accept donations of the specific piece of equipment, or if you are interested in making a monetary donation, you can specify that it go towards an item listed. If you need more information, please contact the office at 508 992-4900 or at advancement@ernestina.org.

Thank you very much for your support of the Schooner Ernestina and her programs! .

AUCTION: FEBRUARY 10th

2nd Annual Auction Fund-raiser is Ernestina's 108th Birthday Party!

Treasure-hunter's fever is spreading, as Schooner Ernestina's Bayside Birthday Auction approaches on **Sunday, February 10, 3:30-7 pm** at **Compass Rose Auctions** in Howland Place at 651 Orchard Street off Cove Road in **New Bedford**. ~Goods are categorized along nautical themes - but lubbers as well as lobstermen will be sure to find desirable items.~

Preview
1-3:30 pm
Auction
3:30-7pm
~Free Admission~

- **Shipboard and Shoreside Fashions**
- **Ships' Chandlery (boat and sailors' gear)**
- **Neptune's Gallery (fine arts and crafts)**
- **Bosun's Locker (hardware, tools, electronics)**
- **Shoreside Supplies (homegoods, furniture)**
- **Ancient Mariners (quality antiques)**
- **Liberty Passes (restaurant certificates)**
- **RARE Treasures (special, high-ticket items)**

NOW IS TIME to contact the Ernestina Office with your own contributions of high-quality auction items. We want to "raise the bar" for this second annual Auction, with an expanded offering of higher-value art, antique and homegoods items. The auction list is growing as this goes to press and anyone wishing to contribute items should call Tom Goux or Polly Zajac at the Ernestina office, (508) 992-4900.

Duncan Gray of Compass Rose Auctions will be the auctioneer & the proceeds will benefit Schooner Ernestina's educational programs.

New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus,

a Schooner Ernestina community activity, has reconvened for 2002. Under the direction of Tom Goux, Ernestina's Public Program Director, the singers serve as musical and cultural ambassadors of both the legendary Schooner Ernestina and historic New Bedford. Rehearsals are once a week at Ernestina headquarters in New Bedford, in preparation for an active performance season in the spring and summer of 2002.

The chorus provides a welcoming, inclusive setting for learning and sharing traditional and contemporary songs of the sea, sung in harmonized arrangements in the tenor, baritone and bass vocal ranges. There are no auditions.

The core repertoire of the NBHSCC features songs and chanteys of the New England seafarer, fisherman and whale hunter. Last year, 40 members learned a program of salty songs that delighted audiences throughout the South Coast area. Plans for the coming season include an expansion of the song list to include melodies and harmonies of several coastal and maritime cultures, including songs from the Azores and Cape Verde. Also featured in the 2002 program will be some classic maritime-musical tributes from renowned composers Gilbert and Sullivan and Ralph Vaughn Williams. Give Tom Goux a call at 508-992-4900 if you'd like to join us! ⌘

We want to thank the many volunteers who gave their time and support during the 2001 Season!!

Throughout the year, whether performing maintenance on the ship, helping to teach the educational programs underway, or stuffing envelopes in the office, volunteers could be found working alongside the ERNESTINA's professional staff. In every aspect of the organization, they were there, heartily contributing to the ERNESTINA's mission.

From as far away as Pennsylvania or Michigan, over 100 people joined the growing volunteer crew. Diverse in many ways, they came from the Boy Scout Troop- 52 of Fairhaven, students at the New Bedford High School, a medical professional from Falmouth, a retired teacher, previous participants of ERNESTINA's programs, members of the New Bedford Sea Chantey Chorus, and a number of corporate professionals, just to name a few.

This year, we have documented over 6000 hours of volunteer contributions. Specifically, people were involved in sailing and maintaining the ship, teaching educational programs both onboard for one or consecutive days and onshore with the after-school groups, designing and illustrating an Ernestina coloring book, and greeting the public at festivals. Volunteers also helped set up and "run" on the day of the annual fundraising auction, mail the newsletters and annual appeals, train the crew on the types and use of medical supplies in case of emergency, and maintain and organize the Ernestina's archives.

Two new opportunities helped to make this year such a huge success. First, we had a volunteer training day in April to which about 30 people attended, some new and some from previous years. This day was full of orientation about the organization, the ship and the programs. Volunteers got hands on experience, learning about safety and the working of the lines on the ship, familiarity with the engine room and the all important boat check. They also walked through some of our teaching stations to get more familiar with the inner workings of our educational programs and to ready them for when they stepped aboard for the first time to volunteer. The second was the dedication to the apprentice program. Applications were accepted to have students of all ages and from any background, come to work for an extended period of time, from 2-8 weeks, onboard the Schooner Ernestina. This year, 7 people took part in this program. They took on the dual role of participant and crew, learning over the time the role of a deckhand and educator. Accepting the 12th position and really becoming part of the crew onboard the ship, they were truly invaluable to the running of the vessel and her programs.

We are grateful to all the volunteers who helped ERNESTINA meet her ambitious programming goals this year, and would like thank them sincerely for all that they contribute. Your gift of time and talents are invaluable to us. Without even one person, no matter how many hours, the 2001 programs would not have been as successful as they were!!! ⌘ THANK YOU! ⌘

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The United Way of Greater New Bedford has just launched a website for volunteer opportunities. See http://www.unitedwayofgnb.org for more info and visit Ernestina there!

Spotlight on Volunteers

Schooner Ernestina staff and crew could not accomplish all that they do without the immeasurable dedication of the volunteer crew. Extensive numbers of hours are spent working alongside our professional team, to help follow our mission and reach our goals. There are many different opportunities for volunteers to take part in the Ernestina program. Some work onshore, some onboard the ship. People can donate just part of a day, or work up to 3 months as an apprentice. Whatever time one is able to give, it is always appreciated!!

If you are interested in joining our volunteer crew, please contact our Human Resource Coordinator, Laurie Weitzen either by email at volunteer@ernestina.org or by phone at 508-992-4900. ⌘

❖Kaitlyn Tuite❖

Kailtyn is the ultimate volunteer. She joined the ERNESTINA crew and education staff, as an apprentice in September 2001, staying on through the end of the Sailing Season and dedicated over 40 days of time. She came onboard after completing another apprentice program as an Education Assistant, onboard the Hudson River Sloop CLEARWATER.

Kaitlyn graduated in June 2000 from Colby-Sawyer College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education. At that time, she also received her teaching certificate. In addition to her 3 months onboard CLEARWATER as an educator, Kaitlyn did an internship teaching at the Eastman Elementary school. She also has experience working with youth as a special needs counselor at Camp Lyndon.

With all of Kaitlyn's previous sailing and teaching experience, she easily adapted to the dual role of the apprentice, and was a invaluable addition to the crew. Kaitlyn leaves the ERNESTINA to begin her commitment with the Peace Corps, traveling to Africa to fulfill a 27 month volunteer position. ⌘

❖Bill and Irene Morin❖

An inseparable pair, Bill and Irene Morin are indispensable volunteers with the Schooner Ernestina. Both in the office and onboard the ship, they can be found working alongside our staff and crew, volunteering for special events, helping with our fundraising efforts, sailing the ship, and assisting with the teaching of our educational programs. They bring a wealth of life experience and knowledge to everything that they do.

Irene comes from a family of Schoonermen, who originated in Nova Scotia, though she was both born and raised in Providence, RI. After marrying Bill in 1949, the newly-wed couple moved immediately to New Jersey. Irene, also known as "the book lady", owned and operated a bookshop for over thirteen years, where she built up a loyal following of customers. Her passion for literature continues, as she and Bill have their own collection of books, and they often make a trip to the local library to find new items of interest.

Bill, a New Bedford native, is a veteran of World War II and the Korean War, having served in the Navy, which included time as a radioman for the special service group of the Armed Guard. Collectively, he and his brothers have over 35 years of active duty in the Armed Forces. Bill's professional experience ranges from being a personnel and office manager, to a sales and service coordinator. Both he and Irene worked until they retired at the age of 65 and 62 respectively.

In addition, the couple have extensive volunteer experience. He worked as the Deputy Director of Civil Defense in Oakland New Jersey, and as a member of the town's library board. Together, they have worked to serve the homeless at a local soup kitchen in Newton, New Jersey. And, Irene was an active volunteer creating special exhibits to display their personal collections of books, postcards, etc... in local libraries

In July 1997, the Morins returned to New England after living in New Jersey for 47 years. It was at that time that they found their way to an Ernestina Open House, which led to their ongoing commitment and dedication as volunteers with the Schooner Ernestina. In addition to the great deal of time they donate, Bill and Irene have also added some books from their own collection to Ernestina's archives. Flying onboard the ship during special events, the Stars and Stripes that you see is the dress flag that was used in Irene's father's funeral.

When they are not volunteering for Ernestina, Irene and Bill spend time being active church-goers, square dancing, enjoying their friends, camping, and being active voices in their New Bedford community. We very much appreciate their on-going efforts they make toward achieving the mission of the Schooner Ernestina Commission. ⌘

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The E-Prams Are Coming!

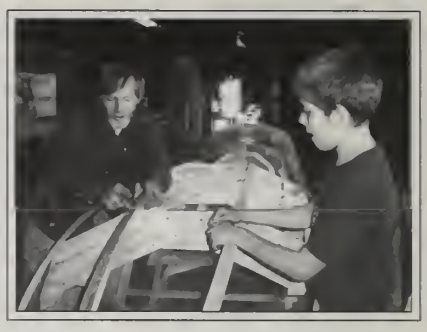
The Mayor's Invest-In-Kids After School program is up and running for a fourth year. This fall's program includes the Schooner Ernestina Crew Program and the 4-H program.

Thirty area middle and junior high students have been building the E-Pram fleet on State Pier since October. Charlie and John York of the Beetle Boat Works designed the boats. The prams were designed to hold 4-5 passengers and row well in open water as well as rivers.

The students began with basic instructions regarding safety procedures and careful work with the tools to be used in the shop. They initially constructed sawhorses to be used during the boat building - a great "starter" project that got all hands involved. By the second week, the Ernestina spar shed on State Pier was fully engaged: New Bedford's youngest shipwrights were "in business." Under the guidance of Charlie, Tom Goux, Polly Zajac, intern Jeremiah Woolley, and volunteer Joyce Cruz, the students attached stringers to two molds, traced "plank" pattern pieces, cut each panel or "plank" and fastened them to the stringers. It was a model of teamwork and cooperation, with lots of sanding, measuring, calculating and … adjusting!

The students are working in four teams, each team producing a finished E-Pram by spring, 2002. Detailed log entries are recording what happens during each session. "Next steps" are indicated for the team that will pick up the task on the following program day. Boat builders, the adults involved and the parents of participants have all been amazed at how quickly the boats have taken shape. Soon the finish carpentry will be done and the boats will travel to the Beetle Cat, Inc. shop for the application of protective fiberglass. Painting, naming, and the "official launching" will take place in the spring.

A special event for Ernestina after School participants was a Saturday field trip to Hull, MA. The "Crew" group and their parents visited the Hull Life Saving Museum on Saturday, October 27. After an interesting tour of the museum, the multi-generational New Bedford contingent searched an historic cemetery for the graves of notable Hull residents, some of whom founded the Life Saving Service, later to become the U.S. Coast Guard. Following a sumptuous pizza-feed, we all participated in a fun Halloween party that featured songs and stories by Tom.



Our 4-H program starts with a completely new group this year. They have been learning about the ocean and ships through the ages. In upcoming weeks, they will be exploring the science of marine archeology and historical shipwrecks. It will be a fascinating unit filled with experiments, art, and graphing! A walking field trip into the historic district led to Artworks!, where the group enjoyed an exhibit on traditional Cape Verdean arts and crafts. They then toured the National Park Visitors' Center to catch a preview of the National Park Service's new promotional video for the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park. The Ernestina staff welcomes the opportunity to work with this fall's 4-H chaperones Melinda Shurtlift, Kyle Paris, and Jarred Alsopp. Melinda is the 4-H site coordinator from the Hayden-McFadden School and Kyle and Jarred are part of the PAACE Youth Build program.

Both groups will be building scale models of Ernestina after their winter break and additional museum field trips will be part of the spring schedule as we learn more about our New England region and its rich maritime heritage.⌘

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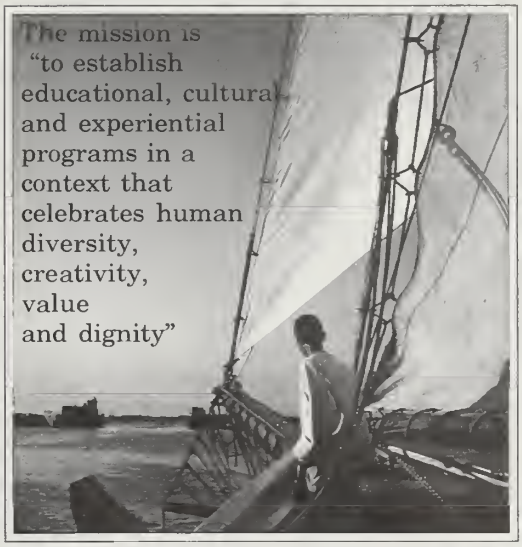

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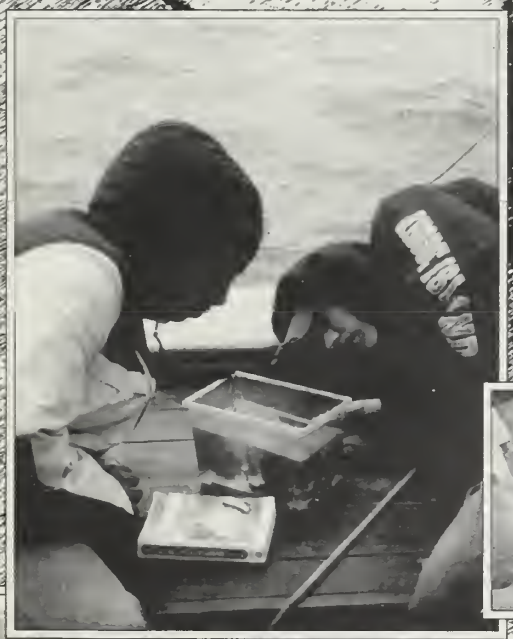

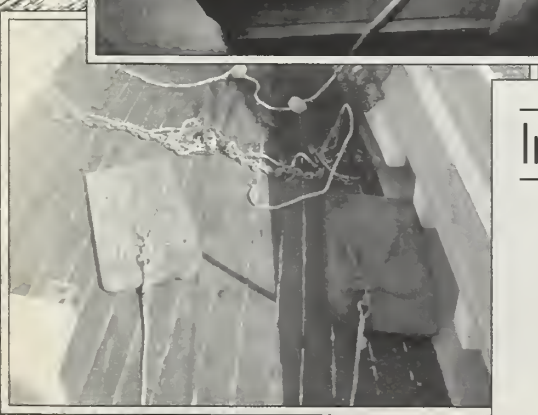

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CoverPhotos
The Cover is a collage of photos from the SEEAL Watershed Expedition Programs. You can see Bob Rocha from the Coalition for Buzzards Bay and Dan Herzlinger from the Westport River Watershed Alliance aboard Ernestina. Other legs of the program take place at Turners Pond in the Paskamansett, Lloyd Center at the Slocums River and aboard Whaling City Rowing Club boats in the Acushnet River. You can see the trawl net and a squid that came up with the catch in Clark's Cove. ⌘

Letter from the Director

Now, it has been some time since first shipping aboard and becoming a 'shipmate.' I think back to a voyage on a ship called the WESTWARD in the mid-1970s and can vividly remember my shipmates and where we went together. I remember stepping ashore at the ports of call and still feeling the deck move under my feet, the sea essence briefly translated ashore. I remember pulling in a sunline after several days crossing the Gulf of Maine, straining for the glimpse that would peg our location before coming in on the rocky coast.

Shipmate n. *A fellow sailor.* A word with which most all are familiar but so few have experienced. Is there anything near comparable ashore?

Why is it that a group of people can come together and coalesce so quickly and completely to become forever shipmates? Why is it that sea memories can endure, vivid and affixed?

Is it because the open spaces at sea open our senses to the fullest? Is it because the demands of the shipboard life can draw on every bit of knowledge and skill we possess? Is it because we, together, are sole owners of the experience we share of our exploration of a frontier, the forever-in-motion world of 'The Water Planet?'

Those who have sailed ships like WESTWARD and like ERNESTINA know that programs at sea change lives. We know because we have witnessed the power of the sea and experienced the commaradarie as part of 'the crew.'

Thanks to ERNESTINA's donors and funders, an ever widening array of opportunities are available for students and families to get aboard and for them, too, to become shipmates.

Please take a close look at ERNESTINA's newsletter and travel through the website for an even more in-depth exploration. We hope you will be inspired to help keep ERNESTINA sailing and to come aboard yourself!

Gregg Swanzey, Director

P.S. ERNESTINA has recently acquired the electronics so that we may now accept credit cards for memberships, donations and for merchandizing. Look for an on-line catalogue in the coming months!

The Schooner Ernestina Commission is shown during a swearing-in ceremony in the State House several years ago.

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Ernestina director will represent MA at national roundtable in May

The State Education and Environment Roundtable (SEER) will be holding its thirteenth bi-annual seminar in Kenilworth, New Jersey May 18 – 22, 2002. Gregg Swanzey, executive director for the Schooner Ernestina Commission, will be representing Massachusetts on behalf of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and as chair of the Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL), a program of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts.

Massachusetts joined the Roundtable last year as one of sixteen states nationwide that is examining the effectiveness of teaching and learning based on an integrated approach that uses the local community, including the natural world as well as the cultural, historical and human resources, to create a framework for learning.

During the four-day seminar, representatives from each of the sixteen participating states will report on the status of the establishment of demonstration school networks in each state. Since the last Roundtable in Austin, Texas in December 2001, there have been several key developments in the Commonwealth.

⌘ The Massachusetts Environmental Trust (MET) has set aside funding specifically aimed at development of Regional Environmental Education Alliances and establishment of a demonstration network of schools the use the "Environment as an Integrating Context (EIC) for Learning."

⌘ The Department of Education has awarded a grant for the EIC Summer Institute for teachers that will take place in July coordinated by Schooner Ernestina staff in partnership with UMASS Dartmouth and the New Bedford Global Learning Charter School.

⌘ Seven schools across the state have been accepted to become part of the EIC Demonstration School Network in the first year starting next fall.

During the Roundtable, state representatives will visit to NJ Marine Sciences Consortium at Sandy Hook, Trailside Nature and Science Center and two of New Jersey's EIC Demonstration Schools. The Center for Community Partnerships and the Rural School and Community Trust will make presentations. For more information please see SEER's website at http://www.seer.org. ⌘

What are you doing for your Summer Vacation? How about a voyage at sea on an historic ship?

Teenagers have an opportunity to sign on for a three-day expedition on the Schooner Ernestina this year. Students will join the crew to operate the 156' schooner and explore the coastal waters of the Bays of the "Bay State."

For high school students grades 9-12, there is a transit program that leaves from Boston on Monday morning, June 24, and arrives in New Bedford on Wednesday, June 26. During the voyage the course track will take the ship across Stellwagen Bank where the humpack whales are to be found and through the Cape Cod Canal to anchorages of Buzzards Bay and Vineyard Sound. Dories are available for trips ashore to explore beaches and estuaries.

For junior high students grades 6-8, there is a three-day trip embarking and disembarking at State Pier in New Bedford running Monday, July 1, through Wednesday, July 3. During the voyage, a trawl net will go over in a search for interesting denizens of the Bay such as mantis shrimps and the plankton net will pull in invertebrate planktonic forms of many kinds. Dories are available to explore coves and run ashore to beaches of the SouthCoast and nearby islands.

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High School Sail: June 24-26, 2002
Boston to New Bedford

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Jr High School Sail: July 1-3, 2002
New Bedford to New Bedford

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For more information or to request an application form please go online to Ernestina's website or call our office at 508-992-4900. Space is limited so call right away! ⌘

Calendar

MAY

13-16 Waldorf School of Cape Cod
Multi-day Transit
Woods Hole to New London, CT

17 East End Maritime Museum
Dockside Programs
9:45am-11:45pm & 12:00-2:00pm
Greenport, Long Island, NY

18 East End Maritime Museum
Open to the Public

19-21 Greenport Public Schools
Two 24-hour programs
Greenport, NY

24-25 Ross School from Southold, NY
Transit Greenport, NY to New Bedford

26 4-H After-School Program
City of New Bedford's
Invest in Kids Program
9am-4pm
New Bedford State Pier

27 **Member Sail**
*5-8pm** New Bedford State Pier*

27 'Stars in the Spars' 2002 Debut
8-10pm
New Bedford State Pier

28 Auburn Middle School
9am-1pm
New Bedford State Pier

29 Auburn Middle School
9am-1pm
New Bedford State Pier

30 Auburn Middle School
9am-1pm
New Bedford State Pier

31 Auburn Middle School
9am-1pm
New Bedford State Pier

JUNE

May 31-June 1
After-School Program
City of New Bedford's
Invest in Kids Program
Overnight Sail
New Bedford State Pier

2 Bourne High School
9am-4pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

3 Dighton Middle School
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

4 Dighton Middle School
9am-1pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

4 **Member Sail**
*5:30-8:30pm** New Bedford State Pier*

4 'Stars in the Spars' 2002
8:30-10pm
New Bedford State Pier

5 Indian Head School
9:30am-1:30pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

6 Indian Head School
9:30am-1:30pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

6 Optional Orientation for Open Enrollment Students
Come to learn more about the ship and bring your parents!
6-7pm
New Bedford State Pier

7 Indian Head School
9:30am-1:30pm Sail
New Bedford State Pier

7-8 Milton High School
Overnight Transit Sail
4pm 6/7 through 4pm 6/8
New Bedford State Pier to Boston Fan Pier

9 Outdoor Explorations
9am-4pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier

10 Odyssey Day School
2:00-5:00pm
Boston Fan Pier

11 South Boston HS
8:30am-12:30pm
Boston Fan Pier

11 **Member Sail**
*5:30-8:30pm** Boston Fan Pier*

11 'Stars in the Spars' 2002
8:30-10pm
Boston Fan Pier

12 Andrews Middle School
9am-1pm
Boston Fan Pier

13 Andrews Middle School
9am-1pm

13 Appalachian Mountain Club
6:00-8:00pm
Boston Fan Pier

14 Andrews Middle School
9am-1pm
Boston Fan Pier

15 Swampscott Festival
Anchor off
9:30am-4:00pm

16 **Member Sail**
*11:00am-2pm** Boston Fan Pier*

16-19 Upward Bound
Johnson State College
Multi-day Program
Boston Fan Pier

20 Optional Orientation for Open Enrollment Students
Come to learn more about the ship and bring your parents!
6-7pm
Boston Fan Pier

21 Great Brewster Island Opening
hosted by the Massachusetts Dept of Environmental Management
10:00am-2:30pm

21 **Member Sail**
*5:30-8:30pm** Boston Fan Pier*

21 'Stars in the Spars' 2002
8:30-10pm
Boston Fan Pier

22-23 Leominster, MA Boy Scout Troop 477
Overnight to the Boston Harbor Islands from Boston Fan Pier

24-26 Open Enrollment Sail for Teenagers 9-12 Grade
Three-day transit Boston Fan Pier to New Bedford
$350 non-members, $300 members

28-30 New Bedford High School
Three-day Expedition
New Bedford State Pier

JULY

1-3 Open Enrollment Sail for Teenagers 6-8 Grade
Three-day sail departing and returning from New Bedford
$350 non-members, $300 members

4-5 Community Boating Center
Overnight Sail to Cuttyhunk Island

6 **Member Sail**
*9:00am-1:00pm**
New Bedford State Pier

6 Private Charter
5:00-9:00pm

6 'Stars in the Spars' 2002
9:00-10:30pm
New Bedford State Pier

7 Retired Exxon/Mobil Mariners
2-7pm
New Bedford State Pier

8 & 11 Maritime Mathematics Summer Content Institute for MA Teachers
New Bedford State Pier
Funded thanks to a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Education

9-10 Portraits of a Port Summer Content Institute
Overnight Sail to Martha's Vineyard from New Bedford State Pier
Funded thanks to a grant to the New Bedford Whaling Museum through the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park

11-12 Environment as an Integrating Context Summer Content Institute for MA Teachers
New Bedford State Pier
Funded thanks to a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Education

12 Sea Lab
9am-1pm
New Bedford State Pier

12-14 New Bedford's Annual Summerfest
Boat Tours, music and much more!
13-20 Lesley University New England Studies: The Tall Ship Ernestina
Multi-day Transit from New Bedford State Pier to Rhinecliff, NY (in the Hudson River) via Liberty State Park, NJ, and Garrison, Poughkeepsie and Kingston, NY
20-21 **Transit Rhinecliff, NY to New Bedford, MA**
*Call 508-992-4900 to confirm times**
22-29 UMASS Boston Coastal Explorations
Multi-day program originating in New Bedford and finishing in New Haven, CT via National Marine Educators Association Conference in New London and Mystic, CT
30-31 Schooner Sound Learning
Overnight Program
New Haven, CT
31-1 Schooner Sound Learning
Overnight Program
New Haven, CT

AUGUST

1-2 & 2-3 Schooner Sound Learning
Overnight Program
New Haven, CT
4-9 Schooner Sound Learning
Multi-day Program
Transiting New Haven, CT to Boston Fan Pier
10 North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) Conference at Boston Park Plaza
1:30-4:30pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier
11 North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) Conference at Boston Park Plaza
1:30-4:30pm Sail
11 Chappaquoit Yacht Club
Evening Sail
Boston Fan Pier
12-15 Cohasset Maritime School
Multi-day Program
Boston Fan Pier
16-18 Concord Boy Scout Troop 90
Multi-day Program
Boston Fan Pier
17 Festa da Ernestina
A celebration of Cape Verdean culture at 89 North Water Street New Bedford, MA
19-23 New England Aquarium
Schooner Adventure
Multi-day Program
Boston Fan Pier
24-25 Midwestern Leadership Group
Transit Boston to Portland
25-30 Greens Farms Academy
Multi-day Program
Transiting Portland, ME to Gloucester, MA

SEPTEMBER

1 Gloucester Schooner Race
9am-3pm Sail
Gloucester at Harbor Loop
2-6 Nathaniel Bowditch Bi-centennial
Salem
4 "Stars in the Spars"
8:30-1:00pm
7-8 Dover Boy Scouts
9am 9/7 - 9am 9/8
Gloucester Fish Pier
10 Outdoor Explorations
9am-4pm Sail
Boston Fan Pier
11-12 **Member Transit Boston to Providence**
Call the Ernestina office for details.
13-15 Providence Maritime Heritage Festival
15-16 **Member Transit Providence to Boston**
Call the Ernestina office for details.
17-20 St. Margarets McTernan School
Multi-day Program
Transiting Boston to New Bedford
21 Schooner Ernestina Fundraiser
Buzzards Bay Embayment (TBD)
22-23 **Member Transit New Bedford to Greenport**
Call the Ernestina office for details.
24-26 East Hampton High School
Overnight Programs
Greenport, NY
27-29 Schooner Sound Learning Adult Sail
Transit New London to Block Island to New Bedford

Last fall Schooner Ernestina After-School Crew Programs began for New Bedford students and continue on through the spring thanks to funding from Mayor Kalisz's Invest-in-Kids Program.

THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD Invests In Kids!

Members Sails Signup Details

There is no additonal charge for members for three or four hour sails as listed marked with a '**' on a space available basis. However, for all full day sails and transits there is a charge for meals equivalent to $10 per meal per person. Please call the Ernestina office for details and to register. An easy way to sign up for member sails and transits is to go online to Ernestina's website and use the member sail reservation e-form.

SCHOONER ERNESTINA 1894 EFFIE M. MORRISSEY

The **SOUTHEASTERN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ALLIANCE (SEEAL)** meets from 9-11am on the second Tuesday of the each month. The site for the meeting alternates between Fall River and New Bedford. In odd months the meeting is in the Trustees Room on the 2nd Floor of the Fall River Five Cents Savings Bank at 79 North Main Street, Fall River. During the even months the meeting is held in the 6th floor Board Room at Peoples Bank, 227 Union Street, New Bedford.

SEEAL formed in 1997 under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM) to encourage stewardship in the southeastern Massachusetts region.

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The New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus Page

New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus, a Schooner Ernestina volunteer activity, has started into its second season.

Formed last year to learn the nautical repertoire in a social setting as a non-auditioned civic chorus, the group prepared a full program that was enjoyed by hundreds of listeners. The repertoire includes a variety of chanteys and songs that reflect the rich maritime heritage of New Bedford and the region. As a sampler of musical traditions connected to New Bedford Harbor and the New England seafarer, performances feature the chanteys (work songs) of the Yankee sailor and whaler, the songs of fisherfolk in North America, the Cape Verde Islands and the British Isles.

In addition to the Crioulo and French sailor's tunes learned in the first year, the singers will be offering an Italian fisherman's ditty and a traditional Norwegian mariners' song. Featured soloists are Chuck Smiler, Jack Dolan, Joan Stopka, Polly Gardner, Polly Zajac, Marc Olson, Dave Tonnessen and Iain Geddes.

The 40-voice group is saluting the 400th anniversary of Barthlomew Gosnold's visit to Buzzards Bay with a set of English maritime songs. These range from the ancient "We be Three Poor Mariners" by 16th century composer Thomas Ravenscroft, to Ralph Vaughn Williams setting of the traditional "Down Among the Dead Men," to excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's classic, "H.M.S. Pinafore."

The band of instrumentalists that has sprung from the ranks of the chorus includes Iain Geddes, concertina, Mike Greene, guitar, Judy Cormier, percussion, Polly Zajac, flute, Vi Taylor, percussion, Tim Lyden, guitar, Jack Dolan, drum.

As Schooner Ernestina begins her busy teaching and sailing season for 2002, the chorus, likewise, is setting a busy course through an eventful summer:

April 6	**8pm**	**Tryworks Coffeehouse, New Bedford, MA**
May 8	**7pm**	**Southworth Library, Dartmouth, MA**
May 19	**12:30pm**	**Cape Cod Maritime Days, Harbor Park, Hyannis, MA**
July 7	**8pm**	**Marion 150th Celebration, Marion, MA**
July 14	**3pm**	**Salem Maritime Festival, Salem, MA**
July 18	**7pm**	**Fairhaven Summer Concerts, Fairhaven, MA**
July 20	**10:30am**	**Whaling Days, Shipyard Park, Mattapoisett, MA**
Aug. 1	**7pm**	**Thursday in the Park, National Park Garden, New Bedford**
Aug. 9	**6pm**	**River Music Concert, Head-of-Westport, Westport, MA**

We'd like to thank Revere Copper for a recent donation and welcome a growing set of sponsors who support the chorus. Please contact the Schooner Ernestina office if you'd like to add your company to the list!

Coming Soon to a Waterfront Near You!

This year, the stars you see of a summer night might include James Mason, eye-to-eye with the giant squid, in the role of Captain Nemo in ***20,000 Leagues Under the Sea***, or Spencer Tracy and Lionel Barrymore, Jr., (you know, Drew's grandfather) in the 1938 classic ***Captains Courageous***. But, there could also be engaging and entertaining wonders of nature on the silver screen, as Schooner Ernestina's mid-week "Stars in the Spars" movie nights will feature shorter films about maritime history and the amazing environment that embraces us.

What better way to enjoy the summer evenings? To be entertained *and* enlightened, who can beat the open-air Ernestina Drive-in? This second season of "Stars in the Spars" will again welcome family audiences for movie viewing throughout the summer– audiences must bring their lawn chairs for the free-of-charge showings that begin at dusk. Several movies will be preceded by Schooner Ernestina member sails (see schedule) and, prior to most shows, audience members can step aboard Ernestina to help set the foresail – thus creating the movie screen for the night.

Classics of the silver screen on this year's schedule are ***20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*** starring Kirk Douglas and James Mason, the 1954 award-winning adaptation of Jules Verne's early sci-fi tale, and the timeless ***Captains Courageous,*** the ultimate cinematic portrayal Schooner Ernestina's "first life" as a highliner of the Gloucester fishing fleet.

Short subject movies, shown on selected mid-week "Stars in the Spars" nights include ***The Mystery of the Blue Whale***, directed by Alain Behumeur (June 4, New Bedford.) This film tracks blue whale research in the Gulf of St. Lawrence in Canada, Mexico's Sea of Cortez, and off the coast of Iceland. The film allows viewers to share in a great scientific adventure while witnessing astonishing images of this mesmerizing marine mammal, the largest creature that has ever lived on our planet.

Short features on life in the frozen north, ***Sails Over Ice***, June 11, Boston, will celebrate Schooner *Ernestina ex-Effie M. Morrissey*'s connection to that region during her 30-year period as a arctic expeditionary vessel under the command of Captain Robert Bartlett. ***Seals, Our Daily Bread,*** by Ivars Silis, beautifully documents ten days with a hunting family of Greenland, sharing their everyday life in one of the earth's most magnificent environments. Paired with this vignette of Inuit life is ***Polar Bear,*** a visit to Tuktoyatuk in the Northwest Territories with Dr. Ian Stirling of the Canadian Wildlife Services, offering some of the most remarkable polar bear footage ever filmed.

Legacy ~ Shipbuilders, Fishermen and the Age of the Gloucester Schooners will be seen on Sept. 4, during Ernestina's visit in Salem following the Gloucester Schooner Race weekend. This Yesterday's News production tells one of the region's most fascinating maritime sagas using archival photographs, rare film footage and live interviews.

Monday, May 27th	8pm	New Bedford	***Captains Courageous***
Tuesday, June 4th	8:30pm	New Bedford	***The Mystery of the Blue Whale***
Tuesday, June 11th	8:30pm	Boston	***Sails Over Ice***
Friday, June 21st	8:30pm	Boston	***Moby Dick***
Saturday, July 6th	9pm	New Bedford	***20,000 Leagues Under the Sea***
Wednesday, Sept.4th	8:30pm	Salem	***Legacy ~ Shipbuilders, Fishermen and the age of the Gloucester Schooners***
Saturday, Sept. 14th	8:30pm	Providence, RI	***Captains Courageous***

Charlie Gibson has taken early retirement after fifteen years at the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management. He served as Project Manager for Ernestina projects as well as for other parks in the state such as Dunn Pond in Gardner, Halibut Point in Rockport and others.

We have been very fortunate and blessed to have worked with Charlie over the past ten years as the Schooner Ernestina has sailed some 'treacherous waters.' We sincerely appreciate his great sense of humor, outstanding integrity and willingness to take action on behalf of others.

Now, there's a fine shipmate for you.... We'd ship with Charlie anytime! Fair winds, Charlie, from all of us at Schooner Ernestina.

Charlie Gibson (on left) with Ernestina Commissioners Bruce Rose and Carol Pimentel and Captain Amanda Madeira

Sea Chantey Chorus

Louise Anthony	Kate McGonigle
Paul Anthony	Marian Menard
Tor Bendiksen	Sue Miller
David Brownell	Helena Monty
Sally Brownell	Daisy Morin
Judy Cormier	Rick Ober
Jack Dean	Marc Olson
Jack Dolan	Chris Parks
Polly Gardner	Julie Pratt
Katherine Gaudet	Eva Reed
Iain Geddes	Jody Reeves
Tom Goux	Bob Shaw
Michael Greene	Danielle Slight
Caren Harple	Chuck Smile
Damon Howard	Joan Stopka
Charles Howland	Vi Taylor
Liz Jacobsen	David Tonnessen
Janet Langlois	Joan Underwood
Joe Langlois	William Underwood
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Tim Lyden	Dave Ward
Barbara Marshall	Mike Yorston
John Mc Coy	Polly Zajac

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Schooner Ernestina Intern Earns Eagle Scout Award

Schooner Ernestina Intern, Jeremiah Woolley, was awarded his Eagle Scout pin on Sunday, April 21, 2002.

Serving as a member of Troop 52 of St. Mary's Church in Fairhaven for nearly four years, Jeremiah has done a number of adventure activities as part of his scouting program. He has defined his years in Scouting through hard work, service to his community, and dedication to the principles of the Boy Scout movement.

Last fall, Jeremiah completed the most daunting part of becoming an Eagle Scout by finishing his Eagle service project. Troop leader Cyd Ryle, who has long been associated with Schooner Ernestina, suggested that the caretaker of Girl Scout Camp Greenbrier in Acushnet, Brian Bishop, be contacted. He offered the rehabilitation of the camp's entrance for consideration.

"This is a project we were looking to do for quite sometime. The entrance way needed to be cleaned, a stone wall rebuilt, and a new sign at the entrance needed to be constructed" said Mr. Bishop, who is also an Eagle Scout. "This project was so extensive, I had to make sure the Scout who did it was mature and responsible."

Jeremiah, who is a senior at Bristol County Agricultural High School studying arboriculture, jumped at the chance to tackle a project that combined his interest in working with trees and landscaping with his desire to help the camp. Over several weekends, Jeremiah gathered work crews of friends, family and Scouts from his troop to help clear away dead and overgrown bushes, haul away trash and debris, and rebuild the washed out stone wall. With the help of Mike Reis from Larry's Rentals, heavy equipment was brought in to move around many boulders and large rocks to rebuild the stone wall. All counted, nearly 300 man-hours were spent improving the camp's entranceway.

The final phase of his project was to erect a sign welcoming campers to Greenbrier. Jeremiah designed the sign's layout and procured donations of all necessary materials from local businesses, included Fairhaven True Value Hardware, Sears, Roebuck, and Co. of Fairhaven, and Quality Decorating Center also of Fairhaven. Working with Assistant Scoutmaster Brian Cormier, Jeremiah completed and raised the new entrance sign in December 2001.

"I just want to do something to help out the camp," explained Jeremiah. "I hope they enjoy it and it makes them proud to use Camp Greenbrier."

Jeremiah's association with Schooner Ernestina began four years ago when Troop 52 began helping the Ernestina crew during the spring rigging of the ship, assisting at festivals, and the fall derigging. [The members of the troop along with Mr. Ryle are always a welcome addition to the volunteers.] Jeremiah's leadership was evident as many of the boys would look to him for direction.

He began an onboard internship during the summer of 2000. He continued his work on the ship during the summer of 2001 as well as assisting in shore-based efforts at the Schooner Ernestina office. Jeremiah has continued his work with Ernestina as an assistant in the Invest-In-Kids after school program. He has mentored junior high students during the construction of 5 prams, field trips around New England's maritime centers, and in the construction of scale models of the Schooner Ernestina.

Polly and Jeremiah at the Scouts Court of Honor

Jeremiah's next steps include working with the Boy Scouts Adventure Crew and attending the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst this fall. He is the son of Tom and Natalie Woolley of Fairhaven. ⌘

In Memory of Cheryl Ford

Schooner Ernestina and the 4-H program bid a sad farewell to our dear friend and colleague, Cheryl E. Viger Ford who passed away on February 9, 2002. Cheryl was the 4-H site coordinator at the Hayden-McFadden School in New Bedford. For the past seven years she served as a tireless champion for the children she worked with in the 4-H program. Cheryl led a variety of activities including recycling programs, community services, establishment of gardens at the Hayden-McFadden Elemenary School and assisting in the Friday 4-H program at the Ernestina Office. She was educated in New Bedford and graduated from New Bedford Vocational High School and Johnson & Wales College in Providence, RI. She was an active member of her church, a devoted wife to her husband, Joseph Ford, and a loving mother to her five children Joey, Michael, James, Heather, and Tyler. We will miss her constant smile and wonderful energy and her dedication to improving the lives of her students and family. ⌘

Cheryl Ford with the 4H kids...

Maritime Mathematics Summer Institute in July

Teachers can strengthen their knowledge of algebra, trig and geometry concepts by applying Maritime Mathematics during a ten-day professional development institute this summer thanks to a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Education.

Maritime Mathematics Summer Content Institute offers **67.5 professional development points (PDPs)** toward recertification. There is no fee to participate. In fact, teachers who enroll will receive reference and curriculum materials, curriculum development support and access to materials and equipment throughout the summer. The institutes are aimed at teachers in grades 5 - 8 although space for teachers in other grades may be opened.

Maritime Mathematics includes hands-on workshops in applied mathematics focused on navigation, scientific sampling, spar construction, buoyancy and the technology of the 19th century Schooner Ernestina. Dates of the institute are **June 22 (orientation), July 8-12, 15-19 and August 3, 2002 (final presentation), 9 am to 4 pm.**

The orientation and the first week of the Institute will be held at the Schooner Ernestina offices at 89 North Water Street and various other sites on the New Bedford waterfront including underway components on the Schooner Ernestina for selected days. The second week will be held at Bridgewater State College. **Three graduate credits** are available through the Southeast PALMS office at **Bridgewater State College** for an additional fee.

Schooner Ernestina is partnering with the Westport Community Schools, Southeast PALMS and Bridgewater State College to offer Maritime Mathematics in its third year.

Teachers may register for this Summer Content Institute by calling the Schooner Ernestina office at 508-992-4900 and asking for a registration packet to be mailed, by going online to http://www.ernestina.org/programs/index.html and downloading materials, or by email at gswanzey@ernestina.org and asking for a reply with documents attached. ⌘

Illustrations are taken from Howard Chapelle's American Fishing Schooners

It's a Great Start! Thanks to All...

The 27th of April marked the start of the underway season, with a shakedown cruise and the annual Volunteer Training Day.

The spring start up is always a full and busy time of year, with short windows of time from when the crew first return to the state pier in New Bedford, and the ship sails out of her Tonnessen Park slip for the first time. It is an interesting time, for the ship and the office, as we all shift gears from the winter pace of contracting programs, hiring the season's crew, writing grants, purchasing equipment, and general planning for the season to come. In the four weeks from late March to the end of April, the ship awakens, winter projects get wrapped up and the crew and volunteers scurry to rig, paint and prepare the ship to sail. What is amazing is that every piece of gear onboard gets touched, checked, and rigged by human hands. Over one mile of line, each block, topmasts, steering gear, electrical and engineering systems, accommodations and more. The bustle of the office gets busier, as correspondence for our programs increases to fine tune the content and work out the logistics of the very busy schedule.

Returning Captains Willi Bank and Amanda Madeira worked closely with Chief Mate Erica Sachs and Program Coordinator Crista Mellican to oversee the rigging and painting of the ship and spend focused time training the crew in safety, ship operations and the educational components of the Ernestina's programs.

When the ship sailed that last Saturday in April, 36 people were aboard, 10 returning and 6 new crew, and 20 volunteers. The day was beautiful with a strong breeze and bright sunshine. All the volunteers participated enthusiastically with the crew, setting the sails for the first time. Surprisingly everything was right side up and nothing 'shook' down. We practiced a man overboard drill and a fire drill with the help of some volunteers pretending to be distraught passengers. In addition, education stations were briefly reviewed, to give volunteers a quick glimpse into a day in the life of crew onboard the Ernestina. A barbecue and social hour followed up the sail with delicious food prepared by Relief Steward Inette Rex. What a full day, planned by Laurie Weitzen, our Chief Steward and HR Coordinator.

Were would we be without the familiar faces of our professional and volunteer staff and crew? Thanks for helping with a great start to the 2002 Season! ⌘

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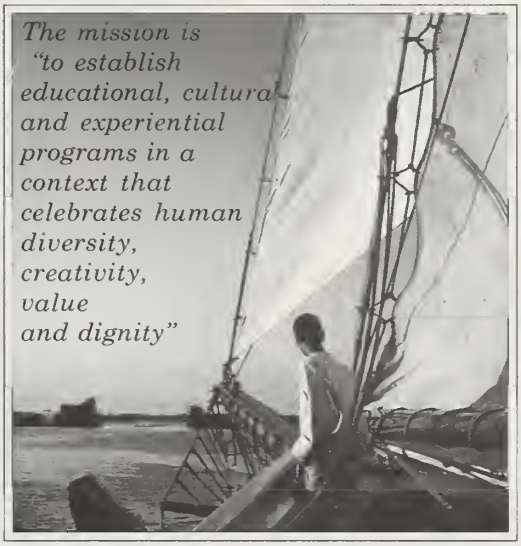

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Join the Schooner Ernestina Commission in finding ways to provide for the long-term fiscal security of the ship, archive and programs. **Give us a call** at the Schooner Ernestina office at **508-992-4900** if you have any questions or suggestions. You may email us at **advancement@ernestina.org**. ⌘

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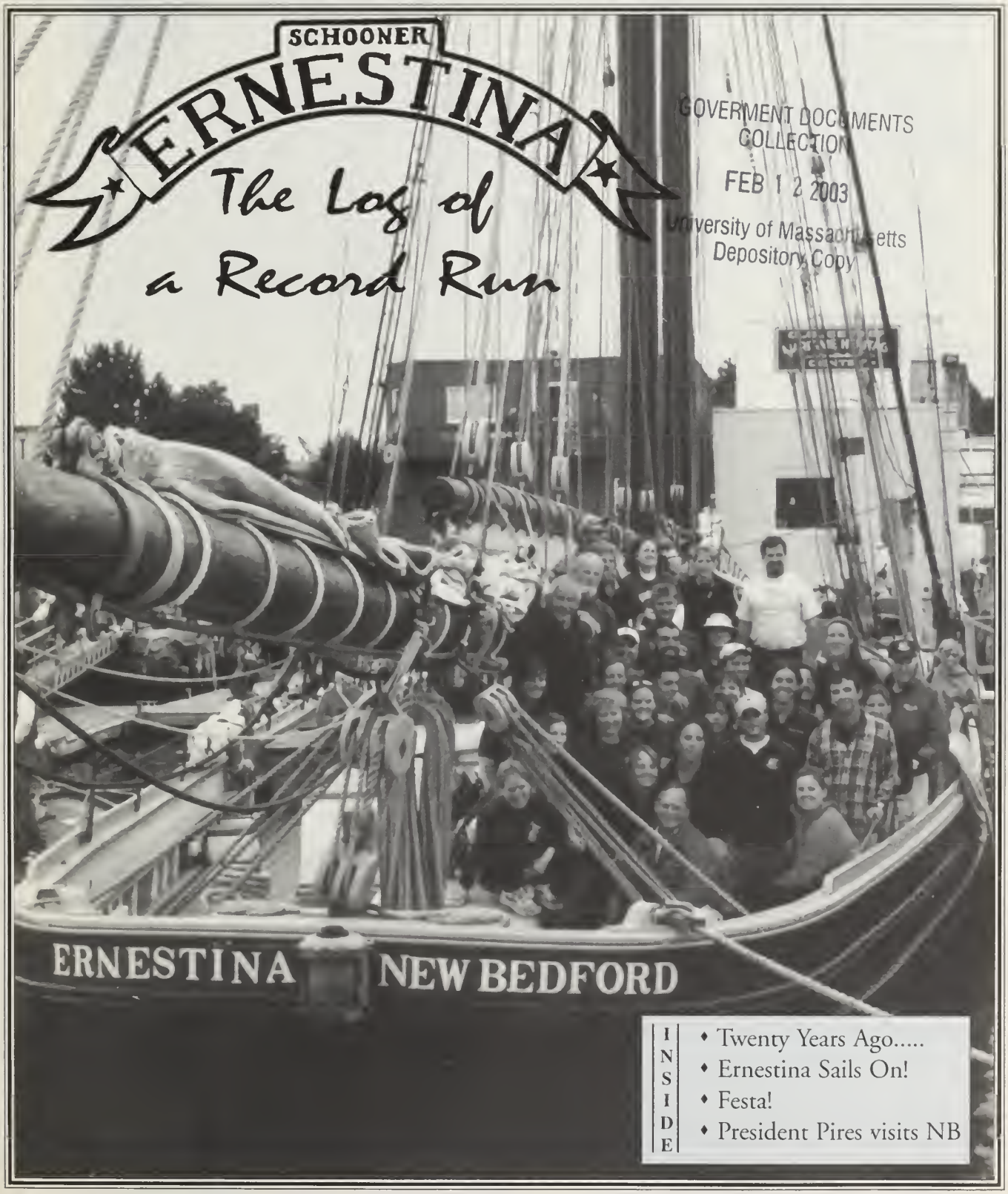

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CoverPhoto
The crew gathered together for a photo during the Gloucester Schooner Race on Labor Day, September 2002. We were docked in Schooner Adventure's berth on Harbor Loop ~ standing in for our sister ship while she's on the railway getting some extensive hull work done! ⌘

Letter from the Director

In 1982 a crew of Cape Verdeans and Americans sailed the historic Schooner Ernestina ex-Effie M. Morrissey across the Atlantic to be gifted to the people of the United States.

Today, twenty years later, this symbol of Cape Verdean culture and American maritime heritage plies our coastal waters serving more than 5,000 school children annually with moving and empowering learning experiences. Tens of thousands of people are attracted to our seaports-in-renaissance thanks to the authentic connection they can make with their heritage.

This past summer President Pedro Pires of the Republic of Cape Verde, Prime Minister at the time of Ernestina's gifting, visited New England to underscore the strong ties between our region and the Islands of Cape Verde. He remarked how wonderful it would be for the Ernestina to some day return for a visit to Cape Verde. This could be part of Ernestina's future - but it will take many hands to forge such a vision...

You can help.....

- Secure Ernestina's organization with a balanced public and private fiscal strategy
- Build a facility in Ernestina's homeport on the New Bedford waterfront
- Enable a return voyage to Cape Verde that emulates Ernestina's twelve circumnavigations
- Connect communities to their maritime and cultural heritage through service projects
- Disseminate Ernestina's story in print and film documentaries
- Sponsor programs for school children

What you can do.....

- Contribute as generously as you can during Ernestina's annual appeal to sponsor current programs
- Ask your employer to become an Ernestina sponsor
- Write letters of support
- Consider ways you can help turn vision into reality

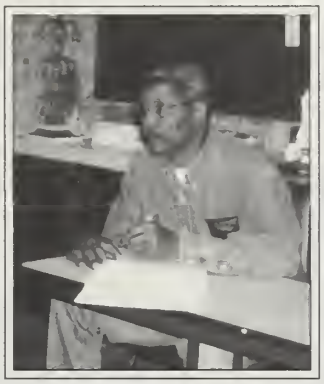
Gregg Swanzey, Director

The Schooner Ernestna Commission is shown during a swearing-in ceremony in the State House several years ago.

My First Trip on the *Ernestina*

By Antonio Fernandez

It was a long time ago, but I remember it clearly. I was only 14 years old and I was going on my first voyage on a ship. I was happy and very excited. The ship was *Ernestina*. My father worked on the *Ernestina*. The ship had made many trips to America. This time, the *Ernestina* was leaving Sao Vicente and sailing to Dakar. I felt very important. My job was to help the cook and wash the dishes. It was a good trip. It took a little over two days. I never got seasick. It was my first trip, but I was an excellent seaman. ⌘



Mr. Antonio Fernandez is a student participating in ESOL classes two nights per week at St. James – St. John's School and two morning classes per week at Our Lady of the Assumption. As his instructor Dorothy Lopes put it, "Antonio has a wonderful thirst for improving his English."

Mr. Fernandez lives in New Bedford with his wife, Aminata. They have three children and five grandchildren. His father served on Ernestina for thirteen years. Antonio was born in Cape Verde and lived many years in Senegal before settling in New Bedford in 1993.

ERNESTINA SAILS THROUGH A NEAR DISASTER

Thanks to a calm, professional crew and a fast response by US Coast Guard, Ernestina was rescued July 24th, 2002, in waters of Block Island Sound.

During a weeklong UMASS Boston course this July, Ernestina surged through a series of steep waves while traveling along at nine knots under sail south of Fishers Island at the eastern end of Long Island Sound enroute from New London to Nantucket. One larger wave filled the foredeck under 2 - 3' of seawater and the ship flexed and rose to meet the sea. This was nothing Ernestina hadn't seen many times before in her long career. Boats on deck filled with water and it took several minutes for the sea to stream out the scuppers. However, this time the bilge alarms began to sound. Pumps were quickly engaged but could not keep up with the flow. Thanks to auxiliary pumps brought aboard by two Coast Guard cutters with air support by helicopter, the water was curtailed and the Ernestina steamed into Greenport under her own power.

Once in Greenport, NY, on the eastern end of Long Island, the crew worked closely with Coast Guard to develop a plan for transit back to New Bedford/Fairhaven Harbor escorted by Tug Jaguar to haul out for inspection and repairs. The ship went up on the ways at DN Kelley and Sons Shipyard in Fairhaven, MA, by early August.

It turned out that the root cause of the excess leakage resulted from failed keel fastenings that sandwich the keelson, frames, keel and false keel together (42" and more thick) to make up the backbone. This structural system delaminated slightly opening the seam between the keel and garboard (lowest hull plank) over the forward section of the ship. The prescription for repairs included hammering out cement ballast and opening previously inaccessible areas along the keelson. Twenty-two through fastened bolts and almost as many drifts were installed giving the keel more strength today than in many years. Ernestina was back underway as of August 23rd after careful inspection by crew and US Coast Guard.

Dutch Maranhas and Bob Aufiero of Atlantic Coast Detectors volunteered their time to come by and map out the metal

Liz Maloney installs new zincs

Steve Kirk pulls temporary sheathing in prepartation for work

We are so gratified that the ship and all aboard came through unscathed with sincere thanks to the US Coast Guard. The structural integrity of the ship is restored and what was unknown before is now readily accessible for inspection in the future... But, the rescue effort is not over. This came at a busy time of year for Ernestina resulting in a loss of program revenue of approximately $52,000 and $32,000 in yard bills for repairs. Your donation is especially important now!

For more details on what we have done to implement repairs and ensure no reoccurrence please click through from the events page on Ernestina's website. ⌘

"Stars in the Spars"

at Salem National Maritime Historic Site, Derby Street

Schooner Ernestina sailed from Gloucester to Salem, following Schooner race weekend, at the invitation of the Nathaniel Bowditch Bicentennial Initiative. Working in collaboration with The Salem Maritime National Historic Site, Yesterday's News and maritime musicians Daisy Nell and Capt. Stan Collinson, Ernestina's visit saluted the famous mathematician and navigator from Salem who wrote the American Practical Navigator first published in 1802. An open ship welcomed visitors during the day on Wednesday, September 4th.

At 7:30pm, Daisy Nell and Capt. Stan and their band, Crabgrass, welcomed the "lawn chair crowd" of 130 with songs of life on Cape Ann, featuring original and traditional selections from their newest CD, ***"Heartbeat from the Sea"***. Following the concert was a special showing of "***LEGACY: Shipbuilders, Fishermen and the Age of the Gloucester Schooners***" produced by Jim Lowell and Laura Scott Lowell of the Rockport-based production company Yesterdays News. Samuel Scott, Peabody Essex Museum assistant curator of maritime art and history introduced the film. Historic and contemporary images of Schooner Ernestina are seen throughout the film.

Using archival photographs, rare film footage and oral history interviews, this compelling one-hour documentary tells the story of shipbuilding and fishing on Cape Ann, where over 4,000 wooden vessels were launched from Essex and homeported in Gloucester. Described as "excellent" by Sea History Magazine, the presentation also chronicles the opportunities the industry created for Portuguese, Canadian and Italian immigrants, and the tragedies that caused thousands of fishermen to lose their lives at sea. Historians Joseph E. Garland and Dana A. Story, along with shipbuilders, fishermen and educators, including Daisy Nell, were prominently featured in this fascinating film project.

Ernestina's Salem visit also included two days of dockside educational programming with the Family Resource Group, which organizes field trips and other activities for home-schooling families throughout New England, Marblehead Middle School, Salem's House of Seven Gables After School Program, Bentley Elementary School and St. Joseph's Elementary School.

During Ernestina's layover in Salem, our professional crew helped Salem National Historic Site personnel with the installation of topmasts on Friendship, also berthed at Central Wharf. The 350 ton, square-rigged, replica packet nearing completion at Central Wharf, will soon join the community of vessels offering onboard educational programs dockside and underway, interpreting not only her own story of the rich history of the merchant mariners of Salem, but myriad other subjects. We look forward to a future of collaboration between Ernestina and Friendship for preservation and education. Can we connect Salem and New Bedford and their maritime national parks over the water? ⌘

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Reunion Sails

On September 2nd Ernestina sailed from Gloucester with the **extended Morrissey family** aboard. As you know, if you've checked out the schooner's history on the website, William E. Morrissey was the original captain and named the ship after his daughter, Effie in 1894. Clayton, Effie's brother, soon became captain with his first command.

Clayton and his wife Bessie had four children: Athelstan, Winifred, Arethusa (Sue) and Burt Rudolf. For this sail family members aboard were from Burt Rudolf and Peg Burton Morrissey's side of the family.

We appreciate the efforts of Peg (Burton) Morrissey and Capt. Amanda Madeira for putting this sail together and the stalwart family that sailed in the rain!

On September 14-15, Ernestina set sail for an overnight passage from Providence, RI back to New Bedford with **members of the 1982 transatlantic voyage crew** aboard. This was the crew who delivered the ship safely across the Atlantic to be gifted to the people of America. Back in 1982, Stefan Platzer and Steve Hopkins flew to the Cape Verde Islands for a month of work and then a 42 day passage to arrive in Newport, RI, on August 24, 1982. Steve Brown, also a member of that 14 person crew of Cape Verdeans and Americans, joined us in New Bedford upon our arrival for hours of stories about that momentus voyage of twenty years ago. ⌘

Stephan Platzer, Steve Brown, Traudi Coli, Steve Hopkins and Gregg Swanzey (l to r)

Executive Director Gregg Swanzey has been named "Community Educator of the Year" by South Coast Learning Network (SCLN). During a lunchtime presentation, SCLN co-directors Sandria Parsons and Bart Nourse expressed their recognition for the collaborative approach taken by Schooner Ernestina and the Southeastern Environmental Education Allance (SEEAL). They acknowledged the significant impact of our efforts as examples of a growing trend toward more community-based learning strategies. Look for a new initiative by the SCLN for a **Coalition for Active Learning**. We'll be right behind such a timely effort!

NEIGHBORS

'Educator of the Year' has passion for learning

This fall Schooner Ernestina After-School Crew Programs continue for New Bedford students thanks to funding from Mayor Kalisz's Invest-in-Kids Program.

THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD Invests in Kids!

A Call for Resumes

Schooner ERNESTINA is accepting resumes of qualified candidates for the crew positions in the 2003 season. If you or someone you know is interested in being onboard sailing as MATE, AB, DECKHAND, STEWARD, or PROGRAM COORDINATOR, please direct resumes to:

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For more information, please look at the jobs posting page on our web-site, at

Applications are reviewed as they are received, and positions are filled on an on-going basis.
Women and Minorities are encouraged to apply.

The **SOUTHEASTERN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ALLIANCE (SEEAL)** meets from 9-11am on the second Tuesday of the each month. The site for the meeting alternates between Fall River and New Bedford. In odd months the meeting is in the Trustees Room on the 2nd Floor of the Fall River Five Cents Savings Bank at 79 North Main Street, Fall River. During the even months the meeting is held in the 6th floor Board Room at FirstFed Savings Bank, 227 Union Street, New Bedford.

SEEAL formed in 1997 under the auspices of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts (CFSM) to encourage stewardship in the southeastern Massachusetts region.

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20th Anniversary

Twenty years ago the Republic of Cape Verde gifted the Schooner Ernestina to the people of the United States of America. The Schooner Ernestina Commission, members, volunteers and friends of Ernestina celebrated this milestone year at observances and events throughout the season.

On the occasion of the visit of Cape Verdean President Pedro Pires to New England in July, Schooner Ernestina was represented in Boston, Providence and New Bedford at special gatherings. Ernestina's Gil Pires and Traudi Coli greeted interested visitors at information tables at the Providence Convention Center and on Boston's City Hall Plaza. During CapeVerdean Independence Day Parade, held annually in New Bedford, the 10ft. scale model of Schooner Ernestina was applauded all along the parade route as, once again, Gil Pires greeted the parade watchers with his winning smile! From the reviewing stand, President Pires waved his approval and there was a heart-felt, spontaneous cheer from the crowd for their beloved schooner.

In August, a special exhibit was mounted in the gallery of the Center for Creative Arts in Onset, MA. With the gracious assistance and support of Onset artist Matt Barros and former Schooner Ernestina Commissioners Julius Britto and Joseph D. Rose, the exhibit, entitled "Ernestina's Mantenhas," celebrated in paintings, photographs and artifacts, the monumental effort of those who, twenty years ago, made the return of Ernestina a reality. On Sunday, August 11, the gallery was the scene of a special "Roundtable of Remembrance," led by former Commissioners Britto and Rose, recounting the tremendous efforts of the many people involved in Ernestina's return.

The session included first-hand recollections of the days of the return voyage by Joe Rose, who, as a ham radio operator, collaborated with several others to keep in touch with the vessel during the crossing. He played actual tape recordings (he had preserved over these twenty years!) of the radio transmissions. This, along with the video presentation produced by Tom Lopes, "Mystery Lady," showing Ernestina leaving Cape Verde on the beginning of that transatlantic voyage, brought the entire story to life.

Both preceding and following the "Roundtable of Remembrance" there was food and music: Louise Andrade and husband Joe, longtime active member/volunteers, brought all the makings for "gufong" (a Cape Verdean fried dough)– which Louise cooked up along with a running commentary and discussion of her childhood in Cape Verde. Later, Derek Antunes and his lovely wife, Gina, graced the proceedings with several original songs, accompanied by Derek's beautiful guitar playing.

The second weekend in September, Ernestina hosted two sails with the Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission, from Ceremonial Dock, India Point Park in Providence, RI. A pot-luck dinner was held on the evening of September 14, contributing to the food table were Mr. and Mrs. Stephan Platzer (see 1982 crew reunion article) and long-time Ernestina crew member, TV celebrity and occasional galley-guru, Ken Cabral. The snacking and socializing was followed by the final "Stars in the Spars" movie night for 2002, presented with sponsorship by Shaw's Supermarkets and Star Markets. The Cape Verdean heritage program featured the work of author, artist and videographer Vasco Pires, who's video, "A Fraction of Me," projected on the sail of Schooner Ernestina as darkness fell. Mr. Pires is an award-winning artist, sculptor, poet and film maker connected to Schooner Ernestina through not only his Cape Verdean heritage, but also as an artist and arts educator who has sailed aboard Ernestina as part of the teaching crew.

Wherever Schooner Ernestina sails, she carries the story of Cape Verdean history and culture to share with an ever-expanding audience the inspiring saga of her Cape Verdean story. ⌘

After School Program in Fifth Year

With jigsaws at the ready and spoke shaves poised, 20 junior high students begin a new Schooner Ernestina after school program. This year, students from Keith and Normandin Junior High Schools, St. James St. John School, St. Mary's School, and the New Bedford Global Learning Charter School are working at State Pier to design and build 20 oars which will be used to row the prams students built last year.

Working under the guidance of Bill Sauerbrey, a shipwright at the Beetle Boat Shop, along with Polly Zajac and Tom Goux, the students used an antique oar from the Beetle Boat shop as the model for their oar design.

Using traditional hand tools such as draw knives, spoke shaves, and wooden block planes, the oars began to take shape. The handle and loom started out four-sided, using draw knives and spoke shaves, they were transformed to eight sides, then shaved again to sixteen sides. Tinisha De Almeida, a 7th grade student at Normandin, said, "I never knew I could do things like wood working and using tools! This project is so much fun!"

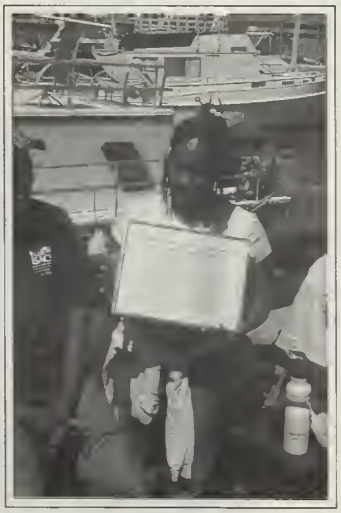
Students are doing more than building oars. The first weekend trip for students and their families took place on November 10th, with a visit to the U.S.S. Constitution and the U.S.S. Constitution Museum in Charlestown. The Charlestown Navy Yard, which also is the berth of the U.S.S. Casin Young, a WWII destroyer, proved to be an inspiring and enjoyable experience for students and parents alike. Highlight of the day was the group's guided tour of our country's most historic naval vessel. We discovered the deck of the Constitution is nearly twice the size of Ernestina's deck! Jeremy Lambalot, a second-year participant in the after school program, was perfectly cast as a Constitution powder monkey during the tour, and got to sit in the barber's chair. More weekend trips are planned throughout the school year.

Hanging out in Hammocks on the USS Constitution

In January, Fairhaven's Harbor Master, Gary Golas, will instruct the students in a four-week Safe Boating Course. After passing a test, students will receive a certificate to document their success. Following the Safe Boating Course, Ernestina will partner with the New Bedford Buttonwood Park Zoo, as eighth-graders take part in a 7-week program to learn about watersheds, ecology, and marine science. The students will do hands-on experiments dealing with water chemistry and the water cycle, find vernal pools, visit the Zoo's aquatic building to learn about snake and turtle biology, and observe harbor seals.

Also in January, a new after school program will begin, "Moby Dick, The Musical". This new spin on the Herman Melville classic will feature original songs written by Dillon Bustin. All New Bedford students in grades 7 or 8 are welcome to audition for parts or be part of the stage crew. For more information, please contact Polly or Tom at the Ernestina Office. ⌘

~We would like to thank the City of New Bedford and Mayor Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. for funding the Invest-in-Kids after school programs~



For the Captain and Crew of Ernestina:

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~Signed, John Braman, President, ISACS—and by all the participants.

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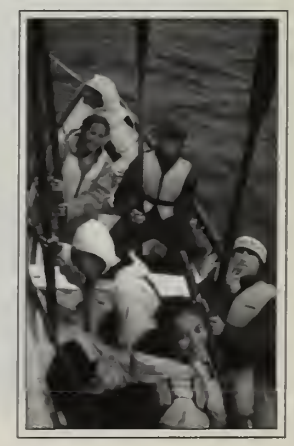

Students came aboard from Greens Farms Academy for a five day sail in late August

Massachusetts Environmental Trust Funds Curriculum Guide Development

This project will support the design, production and distribution of a "Watershed to the Bay" Curriculum Guide supporting a waterfront-based elementary school program on board the historic schooner *Ernestina* focusing on watershed education for students of Massachusetts' coastal communities, especially in Buzzards Bay. The guide will encourage inclusion of environmental sciences in student course work and generate a connection to resources in local communities for organizations, teachers and students.

MASSACHUSETTS ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST

The Massachusetts Environmental Trust is an environmental philanthropy established by the Massachusetts Legislature in 1988 through the settlement of a federal lawsuit over the pollution of Boston Harbor.

The Trust is governed by an independent Board of Trustees appointed by the Secretary of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. From this unique position, the Trust takes a leadership role on behalf of the environment and works in concert with government agencies, environmental organizations, educational institutions, the legal community, and individuals to raise environmental awareness and to protect and preserve the Commonwealth's natural resources.

The Trust has also brought environmental concerns to the attention of individual citizens through the Commonwealth's environmental license plate program. Three plates featuring the images of the right whale and roseate tern, brook trout, and the water mill building represent the central, western, and coastal regions of the state. With more than 60,000 plates currently on the road, this program has generated more than six million dollars. For more information on the Trust's license plate program, visit the section on the Environmental Plate on the Registry of Motor Vehicles website. ⌘

Norcross Wildlife Foundation Funds Ernestina Electronics Upgrade

This project will support the acquisition and installation of electronics aboard the Schooner *Ernestina* including upgraded networked laptop computers for student and staff use along with multi-parameter environmental monitoring instruments and water quality analysis software. Digital cameras for both still photos as well as video imagery are currently being used on the ship and will be incorporated. All electronic components will be interfaced for smooth articulation of on-board information for daily uploading to an existing website at http://www.ernestina.org.

The Norcross Wildlife Foundation was established in 1965 by Arthur D. Norcross, a native of Monson, MA, and founder of the Norcross Greeting Card Company, which he established and managed for approximately fifty years in New York City. Mr. Norcross lived virtually all of his working life in New York City, where he died in 1969.

An active sportsman and participating sponsor of several Arctic expeditions aboard the Schooner Effie M. Morrissey (Ernestina) in the early 30's along the Greenland coast, Mr. Norcross turned his interest in wildlife and the out-of-doors to his childhood "stomping grounds": The wooded hills surrounding Monson and nearby Wales. ⌘

~Traudi Coli and Michael Platzer Aboard Ernestina~
Michael was one of the principle organizers in makeing the gift a reality in 1982.

Henry H. Crapo Charitable Foundation Grant

Thanks to a grant from the Henry H. Crapo Charitable Foundation, a short shaft, four-stroke, 15 hp outboard has been acquired to power Ernestina's rescue boat. ⌘

Sailors Snug Harbor and Island Foundation Award Grant

New Bedford has long been a community that draws its vitality from the sea. In the 19th century it was the premier whaling port in the world and today is the #1 fishing port in the United States. Nonetheless, an awareness of maritime heritage, the marine environment, technology of fishing vessels and operating ships at sea receives limited coverage in schools.

Thanks to grants from the Sailors Snug Harbor of Boston and Island Foundation, Ernestina staff will develop an array of integrated educational programs using the fisheries as the common theme.

The outcome we seek through this project is to develop a deeper understanding of the people, technology, environment and history of the fisheries while meeting educational objectives for teachers and students. A sense of pride and dignity will be instilled for students whose family background includes occupations related to the fisheries. This program will be available to New Bedford school children both in school and during after-school programs. ⌘

Festa!!!!

The second annual "Festa da Ernestina" attracted a crowd of 400 on Saturday, August 17, at the corner of Elm and N. Water Streets in New Bedford. This year's theme highlighted the 20th anniversary of the 1982 voyage of Ernestina from Republic of Cape Verde to New Bedford. Special guests at the Festa were Laura Pires, one the earliest Schooner Ernestina advocates, and Stephan Platzer, a member of that 1982 return voyage crew.

Special Cape Verdean cuisine along with live music, by the popular Bisca Club Band, was all part of the celebration. Schooner Ernestina staff and volunteers hosted the event, led by volunteer Joyce Cruz, heading the Festa Committee. Joyce also was in charge of the fund-raising raffle, which was enthusiastically supported by the Festa-goers. The food table was a great success with delicious dishes contributed by Schooner Ernestina Commissioner, Dr. Bruce Rose and steadfast Ernestina volunteer, Louisa Andrade.

Event sponsors were Merchant Mariners Social Club, St. Luke's Hospital Emergency Room Doctors, John Perreira Painting Co., Inc., Bisca Tournament Club, Exxon-Mobil Retiree Club, Cape Verdean News, the Cape Verdean-American Veterans' Association and Doug Mills and Integrity Plumbing.

The Bisca Club Band, known for their lively traditional and contemporary repertoire, set the tone for the festive night of live music and dancing, as the corner of Elm Street and North Water Street was transformed into "Plaza de Ernestina." ⌘

Ernestina's Genealogy Project Underway

What better way to study the Schooner Ernestina's (ex. Effie M. Morrissey's) history than through the lore of the families who have owned, crewed and been passengers of this great old ship? Beginning in the summer of 2002, a huge step forward on the monumental task of mapping the genealogy of the many families involved with the Ernestina was made by Gil Pires and Kendra Santos.

Gil and Kendra, are cousins who spent their summer as interns with the Schooner Ernestina. They worked many hours digging through hundreds of archived written documents, published books, internet resources, and family photos, as well as conducting numerous personal interviews to begin assembling a "family portrait" of the Ernestina. Part of Ernestina's mission is to preserve the history of the ship, and the people who have been involved with her during the past 109 years are a major part of what make up that history. Through genealogy, we can track the story of the many, many lives touched by the mere existence of the Schooner Ernestina, ex. Effie M. Morrissey, and the story of how this ship has come to survive her first 109 years.

Over the course of their summer, Gil and Kendra became detectives of sorts, looking for clues that connected a diverse range of people and places to the schooner Ernestina. Their work took them to many government offices and librarues, where they combed public birth and death records of involved families. Trying to start as early as when the ship was launched, they looked for information on the Morrisseys, Bartletts, Perrys, Snows, and the Mendes.

They also conducted numerous personal interviews with family members to learn the oral histories of the people who had sailed on board the Ernestina.

Gil and Kendra's internships were funded as part of a three-year grant from the Island Foundation in Marion, Mass., to provide an internship program for high school and college students from the greater New Bedford area. This was Gil's second summer as an Ernestina intern and Kendra's first.

Gil is studying International Relations. He has served as senior office assistant for the BU Office of Career Services, auditor for RGIS, and page for the New Bedford Public Library. His leadership activities include Secretary for the Cape Verdean Student Association and President of the National Honor Society at New Bedford High School. He was one of two Massachusetts Senate Youth representatives for the United States Youth Program to Washington, DC in 1999. In addition to being fluent in Kriolu, Gil also speaks French and has a working knowledge of Portuguese.

Kendra is a native of Dartmouth, MA. She graduated from Dartmouth High School, and in 2002-2003 is working to complete her junior year at Temple University, studying Anthropology. Her prior work experience includes positions as Camp Counselor, Residential Aid, and Sales Representative. Kendra has also been involved with organizations such as the Multi-Cultural Affairs, Hip-Hop Society, Organization of African Students, Temple Student Government Cabinet Member and Student Representative in General Assemble.

As the work that Gil and Kendra did was just the beginning to this massive project, it is hoped that more will continue through the help of other interns, volunteers, staff, and through the continued contacts made with the families of these sailors. If you are interested in getting involved with this project, or have any information or photos that will help in this work, please be in touch with the Schooner Ernestina Office at 508 992-4900. ⌘

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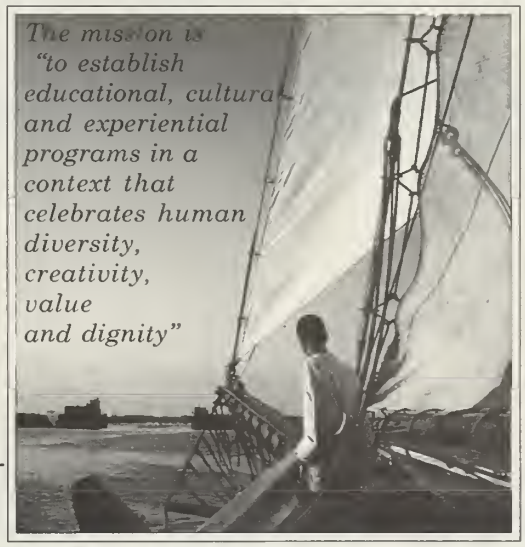

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With the ship completely down-rigged, all spares and running-rig removed, Ernestina goes into her winter maintenance and yard period. Volunteers are welcome and needed to join in the process. Some projects will include working along side the winter crew, while others might have you working independently. Spares will be slushed, the aft- cabin will be varnished, and a new settee arrangement will be designed and built for the fishhold along with many other projects.

The winter crew will be working Mondays through Fridays from Dec 1-March 22. We will also be posting a schedule of work-Saturdays. For an update on the winter work schedule, check the volunteer page of our web-site or contact Laurie at 508 992-4900 or volunteer@ernestina.org.

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